

# **Delivering the Nuclear Promise: Key Engineering Initiatives**

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## Agenda

•	Introductions and Overview	10 min
•	<ul> <li>ENG-003: Standard Design Process</li> <li>Objective of the SDP</li> <li>Process Overview</li> <li>Implementation</li> </ul>	35 min
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•	ENG-001: Critical Component Reduction	15 min
•	Questions	10 min
•	Stakeholder Interaction	10 min
•	Wrap up and Adjourn	

#### Delivering the Nuclear Promise

**3 Strategic Focus Areas** 







# **Standard Design Process**



#### Purpose of SDP

- Implement a standard plant modification process to promote efficient use of resources and streamlined engineering changes
  - Simplified design process common to all stations
  - Industry-wide training applicability
  - Standardized process software
  - Facilitate sharing of information between stations

### **SDP Team Structure**

#### • Executive Oversight Committee

- SNC Sponsored
- Engineering VPs (6)
- Steering Committee
  - All domestic utilities represented
  - INPO
  - NEI
  - Engineering Vendor Representative

Dominion	STARS
Duke	SCANA
Entergy	SNC
Exelon	ΤVΑ
FENOC	USA
NextEra	



#### **SDP** Overview

- SDP Procedure IP-ENG-001
  - Includes organizational expectations & behaviors
  - Supporting Resource Manual Examples, FAQs
  - Industry owned procedure with industry oversight & governance
- Standard engineer training and qualification
- Industry standard performance metric
- Software capable of interface with site platforms

#### **Regulatory Adherence**

- Adherence to Regulatory Requirements
  - Development phase maintained focus on regulatory requirements
  - Design Control is maintained where required
- Commitment Management
  - Pilot Plants reviewed commitments during change management plan implementation
  - Efficiency Bulletin will contain required action to review commitments
  - Commitments managed in Utility interface procedures

#### SDP Procedure Methodology

- Cafeteria Approach to Design Changes
  - Design Authority establishes documentation and support necessary to support the change
  - Endorses a graded approach to design changes
- Moves Lower Complexity Changes to Lower Complexity Processes
  - Design Equivalent
  - Commercial

#### **SDP Procedure Structure**

#### • Procedure

- Includes cross-functional organizational expectations and behaviors as facilitators for successful implementation
- Supporting Resource Manual includes examples, process/job aids, Frequently Asked Questions

#### Utility Interface with SDP

- Provides interface roadmap to utility specific processes
- Integrates IP-ENG-001 into Utility Specific Programs
  - Endorses IP-ENG-001, SDP Procedure
  - Includes site specific interfaces and cross-references
  - Ensures utility procedure change processes are used to manage future changes
  - Ensures compliance with utility QA requirements and commitments

#### **SDP** Schedule

- SDP Procedure & lesson materials issued to Pilot Plants for Implementation – August 2016
- Pilots McGuire, Surry, Sequoyah, Vogtle, NextEra
  - September 2016 through February 2017
  - Validating Procedure, Training, Change Management Plans
  - Monitor Effectiveness in Monthly Conference Calls
- February 2017 Roll up comments and issue procedure to industry
  - Industry to implement by July 2017
- July 2018 Software implemented

#### Sustained Oversight

- Design Oversight Working Group Industry Owned
  - Executive Oversight Committee Industry Engineering VPs
  - Monitoring for effectiveness Metrics
  - Procedure revision control
  - Industry lessons learned
  - Training and Knowledge Transfer



### QUESTIONS?



# **Critical Component Reduction**



### Objective

- Reduce the number of plant components classified as "Critical" in the preventive maintenance program; and
- Focus maintenance resources on those components most important to plant safety and reliability.

#### Issue

- Current AP-913 definition of "Critical" is conservative in that it includes some conditions that are undesirable, but are not unacceptable:
  - 5% up to  $\leq$  20% Power reductions
  - Entry into an unplanned shutdown LCO < 72 hour
  - Half Scram/Trip
  - ESFAS Actuation
  - Loss of redundant HSS/Risk Significant component
- Result: Number of components classified as "Critical" has become excessive in relation to their importance.

### New AP-913 (Revision 5) Definition

Critical Components:

- Reactor scram/trip (single point vulnerability)
- Significant power transient of > 20 percent plant transient [operational loss event (OLE)]
- MSPI monitored component failure
- Any single failure that causes a complete loss of any of the following critical safety functions:
  - Core, reactor coolant system or spent fuel pool heat removal
  - Containment isolation, temperature, pressure
  - Reactivity control
  - Vital AC electrical power
- A single equipment failure that results in the loss of a Maintenance Rule high-safety-significant or risk-significant function.

#### Implementation

- Implementation of AP-913, Revision 5 ongoing industrywide through mid-2017
- Companion guidance on preventive maintenance program enhancements to be issued late 2016 for implementation through late 2018.
- Change management guidance and implementation oversight by INPO and Engineering VPs.



### QUESTIONS?