



SESSION #3: FUEL PERFORMANCE BIOGRAPHIES

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Ricardo Torres is a Materials Engineer in the Renewals and Materials Branch of the Division of Spent Fuel Management. While at the NRC, Ricardo has worked on Part 71/72 licensing with a focus on finalizing review of specific license renewals and expanding guidance for aging management – most recently, finalizing the SER for the Calvert Cliffs and Prairie Island ISFSI renewals. Ricardo holds a PhD in Materials Science from the University of Florida and a Bachelors/Masters in Polymer Science from Case Western Reserve University. Prior to the NRC, he worked at as a Senior Scientist at Savannah River National Laboratory.

Ken Sorenson

Ken has worked at Sandia National Labs for 34 years. For the past 21 years, Ken has served in a management capacity. For most of this time, Ken's work has focused on the packaging, storage, and transportation of radioactive materials.

In this area, Ken has worked on materials issues, package and component testing, extended storage and high burnup spent fuel transportation, as well as physical security and vulnerability assessments of storage and transportation systems.

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