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MEMORANDUM TO: Anthony H. Hsia, Deputy Director
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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF JUNE 15, 2017, PUBLIC MEETING WITH TN
AMERICAS, LLC

On June 15, 2017, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff held a public meeting with representatives from TN Americas, LLC (TN) to discuss an upcoming amendment request for Certificate of Compliance (CoC) No. 1004 for the NUHOMS® dry cask storage system. This amendment is the pilot amendment for the Regulatory Issue Resolution Protocol (RIRP) Item for Improving the Part 72 Regulatory Framework (RIRP-I-16-01) which the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) and NRC have collaborated on. This amendment will evaluate the CoC and technical specifications (TSs) to determine which information may be deleted from the CoC or TSs, moved to the safety evaluation report, or reformatted as limiting conditions for operations, in accordance with criteria developed as part of the RIRP.

The meeting was noticed on May 31, 2017 (ML17151A233). The meeting attendance list is provided as Enclosure No. 1 and the presentation is provided as Enclosure No. 2.

Discussion

During the June 15, 2017, public meeting, TN presented information regarding their upcoming amendment request, including the purpose of the amendment as pilot for the RIRP Item RIRP-I-16-01. TN explained the new proposed format for the CoC and appendices, as well as their use of a form which will contain the selection criteria developed by NEI. TN stated that each proposed change will be evaluated in a form for an easier, focused review. TN explained that the amendment request would largely consist of these forms, as well as attachments to the forms detailing appropriate specific information for the item under evaluation. However, TN noted that the application would initially not contain proposed CoC or TS revisions, given the level of effort to update these documents. TN will await for NRC feedback and discussions, and once general agreement is achieved, proceed with updating the documents for final submittal.

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NRC staff noted that the level of detail, including actual text to be used and location of proposed paragraph movements, would be important in assisting staff in making a determination on the acceptability of proposed changes. Staff also noted that while not including all the proposed information in the initial submittal appears quite efficient for the pilot effort, it will necessitate multiple exchanges between TN and NRC, including different levels of NRC review (i.e., review of the evaluation form, proposed action, proposed revised text, proposed final revisions to the COC or TSs as a result of the change). TN discussed some of the observations and challenges, including items which could be incorporated in different ways, using risk insight in assessing design features, and communication with industry regarding the assessments in the pilot.

TN shared a high-level table which showed the number of changes generated as part of the pilot amendment as of the date of the presentation, which showed good potential for efficiency gains under the pilot. Finally, TN highlighted that as a pilot program benefitting industry and the NRC, TN intended to submit a fee waiver application for this amendment. NRC responded that there were regulations that established the criteria for such fee waivers, and that the responsibility for that determination rests on the Office of the Chief Financial Officer. As a member of the public, NEI stated that they would assist TN in providing justification for the fee waiver. No further public comments were made. With no further items, the meeting was adjourned.

Staff made no regulatory commitment during the meeting.

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Enclosures:

1. Meeting Attendees
2. TN Presentation

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**Public Meeting Between TN Americas LLC and the
Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Meeting Attendees**

Thursday, June 15, 2017 (1:00 PM – 2:30 PM)

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