

2017 NSLO Conference

Decommissioning Panel



Regulatory Improvements for Power Reactors Transitioning to Decommissioning Rulemaking

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Background and Goals

- SRM-SECY-14-0118: Commission directed staff to proceed with decommissioning rulemaking.
- Rulemaking Goals:
 - Provide an efficient decommissioning process
 - Reduce the need for requests for exemptions from existing regulations
 - Address other decommissioning issues deemed relevant by the NRC staff
 - Support the principles of good regulation, including openness, clarity and reliability
- Staff issued ANPR for 90-day public comment period on November 19, 2015 (80 FR 72358).

Status and Next Steps

- Published draft regulatory basis for public comment (May 15 – June 13, 2017)
 - Most comments received on Emergency Preparedness, Current Regulatory Approaches to Decommissioning, and Decommissioning Trust Funds
- Final regulatory basis
 - Late 2017
- Proposed Rule/Draft Regulatory Guidance
 - Provide to Commission in Spring 2018
- Draft Final Rule/Final Regulatory Guidance
 - Provide to the Commission in Fall 2019