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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF THE REACTOR OVERSIGHT PROCESS MONTHLY
PUBLIC MEETING HELD ON JUNE 24, 2020

On June 24, 2020, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff hosted a public teleconference with the Nuclear Energy Institute's (NEI's) Reactor Oversight Process (ROP) Task Force executives, and other senior industry executives, to discuss the staff's progress on the ROP initiatives. The topics discussed during this teleconference are described below.

ROP Self-Assessment Program Update

The NRC staff provided the results of the calendar year (CY) 2019 ROP self-assessment, as well as the staff's plans for the CY 2020 ROP self-assessment. The staff noted that the results of the CY 2019 ROP self-assessment indicate that the ROP was effective, in that it met the agency's strategic goals of ensuring safety and security by providing objective, risk informed, understandable, and predictable oversight, meeting its intended outcomes, and adhering to the NRC's Principles of Good Regulation. Additional information regarding the CY 2019 results and the ROP self-assessment activities for CY 2020 are available in SECY-20-0040, "Reactor Oversight Process Self-Assessment for Calendar Year 2019," dated May 1, 2020 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML20037B154).

NRC Staff's Response to Performance Indicator FAQ 20-01

The NRC staff proposed to change the status of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) 20-01, "Nine Mile Point Scram," from tentatively approved to approved (ADAMS Accession No. ML20170A638). This FAQ was first introduced at the January 22, 2020 ROP public meeting and discussed at the February 26, 2020 ROP public meeting. During the meeting the staff and industry members of the ROP task force agreed to change the status to approved and also agreed that the FAQ was a site-specific FAQ.

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Industry Feedback on Inspection Experience During COVID-19 Public Health Emergency

NEI provided an overview on the industry's feedback on inspections experiences during the COVID-19 pandemic. Overall, NEI indicated that they believe the NRC, as well as licensees, functioned well during the pandemic conditions. NRC staff and managers were commended for adjusting so quickly to the changes necessary to navigate safety and oversight of nuclear power plants while ensuring public health and safety. Additionally, NEI provided thoughts on how the nuclear industry can use the experiences learned during the pandemic to begin to: 1) think differently about how inspections are conducted; 2) continue to share best practices throughout the industry; and 3) develop lessons learned from remote inspections. NEI provided the NRC staff with their written industry feedback, which can be found in ADAMS under Accession No. ML20189A534.

Communicating with the NRC staff

At the start of all ROP public meetings, the project manager provides contact information for the public to use to provide their name as a participant in the meeting. This contact information is also provided for submitting questions and comments to the NRC technical staff. Please note that any questions and/or comments pertaining to the ROP project can be sent to Tekia.Govan@nrc.gov. Questions and/or comments will be forward to the appropriate NRC staff. The staff also mentioned the role out of the "Contact Us about ROP" page on the new ROP website, which can also be used to submit questions and comments regarding the ROP initiative (<https://www.nrc.gov/reactors/operating/oversight/contactus.html>).

Conclusion

At the end of the teleconference, NRC and industry management gave closing remarks. NEI expressed appreciation for the open dialogue and willingness of NRC staff to hear industry views. The NRC management stressed the importance of NRC being focused on providing reasonable assurance of public health and safety when considering changes to the ROP.

The enclosure provides the attendance list for this meeting.

Enclosure:
As stated

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LIST OF ATTENDEES

REACTOR OVERSIGHT PROCESS MONTHLY PUBLIC MEETING

June 24, 2020, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Name	Organization	Name	Organization
James Pak	Dominion Energy	Alex Garmoe	NRC
Ken Heffner	Certrec	Ray Gibson	NRC
Jim Slider	NEI	David Aird	NRC
Shannon Rafferty-Czincila	Exelon	Alonzo Richardson	NRC
Larry Parker	STARS Alliance	Andrea Mayer	NRC
Tom Byrne	Duke Energy	Antonios Zoulis	NRC
Robin Ritzman	Curtiss Wright	Russell Gibbs	NRC
Steve Catron	NextEra	Charles Murray	NRC
Stephanie Pyle	Entergy	Tekia Govan	NRC
Ron Gaston	Entergy	Doug Bullock	NRC
David Gudger	Exelon	Julio Lara	NRC
Tony Zimmerman	Duke Energy	John Hughey	NRC
Thomas Basso	NEI	Phil McKenna	NRC
Carlos Sisco	Winston Strawn LLC	Anthony Masters	NRC
Daniel McGinnis	Dominion Energy	Mike Montecalvo	NRC
Deann Raleigh	Curtiss Wright	Edwin Lea	NRC
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Rob Burg	EPM	Eric Bowman	NRC
William Noval	PSEG Nuclear, LLC	Mike McCoppin	NRC
Larry Nicholson	Certrec	Nate Mentzer	NRC
Andrew Mauer	NEI	John Pelchat	NRC
George Gellrich	Exelon	Mirela Gavrilas	NRC
Steven Cochrum	NRC	Manuel Crespo	NRC
Eli Garcia	NRC	Reinaldo Rodriguez	NRC
Larry Grimes	NRC	Micheal Smith	NRC
Janelle Jessie	NRC	Matt Humberstone	NRC
Don Johnson	NRC	David Garmon-Candelaria	NRC
Ken Kolaczyk	NRC	Gordon Walbert	NRC
Aaron McCraw	NRC	Derek Widmayer	NRC
Billy Dickson	NRC	Andy Rosebrook	NRC
Jeff Mittman	NRC	Mike Franovich	NRC
Stephen Campbell	NRC	Beth Sienel	NRC
Micheal Hay	NRC	Nicole Good	Member of the public
Marc Ferdas	NRC	Roy Linthicum	Member of the public
Todd Keene	NRC		