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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**  
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MEMORANDUM TO: Philip McKenna, Chief  
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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF THE PUBLIC MEETING ON THE USE OF RISK  
INSIGHTS IN SUPPORT OF 10 CFR 50.59 EVALUATIONS, HELD ON  
AUGUST 5, 2020

On August 5, 2020, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff held a Category 2 public meeting with the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) to discuss the use of risk insights in support of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Section 50.59 evaluations (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML20217L289).

**Meeting Summary**

The NRC staff held this public meeting at NEI's request to present opportunities to use risk insight in the application of 10 CFR 50.59, specifically clarifying the use of "more than minimal" as it pertains to 10 CFR 50.59 (Focus Area #1) and clarifying the application of General Design Criteria (GDC) language within NEI 96-07, "Guidelines for 10 CFR 50.59 Implementation," Revision 1 (Focus Area #2). NEI identified in their presentation that guidance document, NEI 96-07, Revision 1, contains what can be perceived as self-imposed limitations on the industry's ability to fully utilize the provision allowed by 10 CFR 50.59 to make plant modifications. As such, NEI developed a focus team to review NEI 96-07, Revision 1, and 10 CFR 50.59 to determine where their guidance can be improved.

NEI's presentation included their approach to Focus Areas #1 and #2, including challenges, strategies, and summaries which incorporated expected future engagement with the NRC staff.

NEI concluded their presentation with a revised suggested schedule to work with the NRC staff as they clearly define their scope of possible revisions to NEI 96-07.

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Close to 80 participants from the NRC staff, the nuclear industry, and members of the public engaged in dialog with NEI on their proposed approach. The participants asked clarifying questions and provided comments for NEI to consider while developing plans and refining schedules.

The NRC staff did not make any decisions or take any agency positions during this meeting.

The enclosure provides the attendance list for this meeting.

### **Meeting Action Items**

There were no action items identified during this meeting.

### **Next Steps and Conclusion**

NEI indicated that they would like to meet with the NRC staff in September 2020 to receive NRC staff feedback on the presentation made during this meeting. During such meeting, NEI plans to present information related to clarifying the application of methods of evaluation (Focus Area #3), as it pertains to 10 CFR 50.59. The meeting concluded with NEI stating that they would take into consideration the discussion with the NRC staff as they develop their defined scope and schedule for the initiative.

Enclosure:

As stated

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## LIST OF ATTENDEES

### PUBLIC MEETING ON THE USE OF RISK INSIGHTS IN SUPPORT OF 10 CFR 50.59 EVALUATIONS, HELD ON AUGUST 5, 2020

August 5, 2020, 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Meeting Held via Skype

<b><u>ATTENDEE</u></b>	<b><u>ORGANIZATION<sup>1</sup></u></b>
1. James Baptist	NRC
2. David Beaulieu	NRC
3. John Bozga	NRC
4. Kristy Bucholtz	NRC
5. Jorge Corujo-Sandin	NRC
6. Bridget Curran	NRC
7. Marlone Davis	NRC
8. Anita Ghosh Naber	NRC
9. Anne-Marie Grady	NRC
10. Mel Gray	NRC
11. Mel Holmberg	NRC
12. John Hughey	NRC
13. Michael Jones	NRC
14. Jeffrey Josey	NRC
15. Eric Magnuson	NRC
16. Philip McKenna	NRC
17. Joseph McManus	NRC

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<sup>1</sup> Unknown organization indicates that the participant's affiliation was not provided by the issuance of this meeting summary.

18. Ken O'Brien	NRC
19. Tim Reed	NRC
20. John Robbins	NRC
21. Nathan Sanfilippo	NRC
22. Derek Scully	NRC
23. Atif Shaikh	NRC
24. Neil Sheehan	NRC
25. Chris Smith	NRC
26. Ann Marie Stone	NRC
27. Brian Tindell	NRC
28. Raymond Trelka	NRC
29. Brian Wittick	NRC
30. Jana Bergman	Curtiss-Wright
31. Bill Sotos	Certrec
32. Walter Boatwright	Comanche Peak Nuclear Power Plant
33. Bill Webster	Unknown
34. Bob Neuendorf	American Electric Power
35. Brian Mount	Unknown
36. Mark Brossart	Unknown
37. Carrie Seipp	Xcel
38. Brian Cates	Unknown
39. William Catullo	Westinghouse
40. Christian Williams	Unknown
41. Dave Bajumpaa	Unknown
42. David Medek	Arizona Public Service
43. Brad Dolan	Unknown

44. Doug Polluck	Unknown
45. Eric Jorgenson	Unknown
46. Patty Galasso	Unknown
47. Hadi Hadavi	Unknown
48. Sharon Haggerty	Unknown
49. John Schrage	Entergy
50. Ryan Joyce	Southern Nuclear
51. Katie Clifton	ARS
52. Kristin Kaspar	Unknown
53. Lee Kanipe	Duke Energy
54. Richard Loeffler	Unknown
55. Lori Tkaczyk	Enercon
56. Neil Archambo	Duke Energy
57. Peter LeBlond	LeBlond & Associates, LLC
58. Reed LaBarge	Unknown
59. Rob Burg	EPM, Inc
60. Roy Linthicum	Exelon
61. Marty Murphy	Xcel Energy
62. Michael Sortwell	D.C. Cook Nuclear Power Plant
63. Susan Sallade	Unknown
64. Carol Sansome	Unknown
65. Carlos Sisco	Winston and Strawn
66. Jeffrey Stone	Unknown
67. Brian Thomas	Salem and Hope Creek - PSEG
68. Tim Riti	NEI

69. Todd Schutte	Unknown
70. Tony Zimmerman	Duke Energy
71. Victoria Anderson	NEI
72. Vijay Meghani	Unknown
73. Warren Odess-Gillett	Westinghouse Electric Co.
74. Bob Wolfgang	Jensen Hughes
75. Wynter McGruder	Unknown
76. Lisa Zurawski	Exelon
77. David Medek	APS
78. Harold Beck	Vistra Energy