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Mr. Kinsey has over 40 years of experience in the nuclear industry, including significant commercial experience in licensing, regulatory affairs, system engineering and major project management. He has managed numerous industry licensing and regulatory affairs projects, including the NRC's certification of GE-Hitachi's ESBWR advanced reactor design.

At the Idaho National Laboratory, he is responsible for Dept. of Energy licensing strategy development and implementation in direct support of industry's near-term deployment of advanced nuclear technologies. In this role, he has led the development of a series of DOE/industry regulatory framework proposals resulting in key Commission policy changes and related updates to NRC's regulatory guidance, including acceptance of performance-based functional containment approaches, and the use of a risk-informed and performance-based approach for plant event sequence identification and assessment.