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MEMORANDUM TO: Michelle W. Hayes, Chief

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Division of New and Renewed Licenses Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF THE FEBRUARY 20, 2025, PUBLIC MEETING

TO DISCUSS THE NRC REQUIREMENTS AND PROCESS FOR

FACILITY AND PERSONNEL CLEARANCE

Meeting Information:

Meeting Title: Public Meeting to Discuss the NRC Requirements and Process for Facility and

Personnel Clearance

Meeting Date: February 20, 2025

Meeting Type: Information Meeting with a Question and Answer Session

Public Meeting Notice Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS)

Accession No.: ML25051A038

Meeting Attendees: See Enclosure 1 for list of meeting attendees

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Meeting Summary:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff conducted the meeting in accordance with NRC Management Directive 3.5, "Attendance at NRC Staff-Sponsored Meetings" (ML21180A271). The staff discussed the requirements and process for applying for facility and personnel security clearances at the NRC.

The NRC staff provided an overview of the NRC's classified information security requirements and discussed the two types of facility security clearances (FCL) (ML25051A038). The NRC staff explained the process of obtaining a non-possession FCL and highlighted the guidance available in NUREG/BR-0532. The NRC staff also discussed the process of application for personnel security clearances.

At the end of the meeting, members of the public were invited to provide comments or ask the NRC staff questions pertaining to the scope of the meeting. One of the attendees asked about how an NRC applicant could determine the appropriate level of personnel clearance necessary for its personnel. The NRC staff responded that the level of clearance required depends on the type of facility license requested and the quantity of special nuclear material to be possessed. The NRC staff further advised that this is usually clarified during pre-application engagements. In response to another question from an attendee, the NRC staff clarified that "L" and "Q" personnel clearances require different types of background investigations. The NRC staff also clarified that because the required investigations for each level of clearance are unique, personnel with L-level clearance should not expect shorter processing times or lower fees for upgrading to a Q-level clearance.

Enclosure: List of Attendees M. Hayes 3

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MEETING ATTENDEES

Name	Organization	
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