

Potential Schedule and Resource Improvements for RIPE Submittals

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Context of RIPE in Present Day



RIPE offers reduced staff hours and accelerated schedule compared to traditional LAR reviews

20 week timeframe to approval
Nominal 80 hours of review time



NRC has improved LAR review schedules and resource requirements outside of RIPE over the past year



Additional LAR schedule accelerations planned as part of ADVANCE Act Section 505 graded review implementation

Some reviews could be completed in as little as 12 weeks

Incentivizing RIPE Usage Moving Forward

- Improvements to general LAR reviews lead to current RIPE timeline no longer offering benefit to licensees
 - Graded approach could bring substantial number of application review timeframes down to 4-6 months
 - RIPE must offer some benefit compared to non-RIPE LAR reviews to remain viable
- Potential benefits (all require revisions to RIPE and associated processes) compared to traditional LAR process
 - Enhanced predictability
 - Reduced volume of supporting deterministic technical material
 - Further reduced staff hours
 - Additional schedule acceleration