

## Session Title: NRC and Licensee Safety Culture

**Description:** There is a general consensus that the “safety culture” of all licensees is an important component of safe operation and, therefore, of public health and safety. The NRC enhanced its Reactor Oversight Process (ROP) in 2005 with provisions to consider areas important to safety culture at nuclear power plants and has recently made additional revisions based on lessons learned. The Commission tasked staff with developing a Commission policy statement(s) on expectations of safety culture and security culture for all NRC licensees and certificate holders. The Commission also asked the staff to examine the NRC’s internal safety culture to identify gaps and best practices. Finally, some licensees and industry organizations have initiatives related to safety culture. This session will focus on the staff’s efforts in developing a Commission policy statement on safety culture for all licensees, ROP safety culture changes, industry stakeholder efforts focusing on safety culture, and the NRC’s activities to ensure a sound internal safety culture.

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### Panelists:

Development of a Safety Culture Policy Statement(s)  
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Reactor Oversight Process Safety Culture Changes  
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Nuclear Industry Safety Culture Initiatives  
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A Fuel Facility Safety Culture Approach  
Presentation View                      Handout View

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NRC Internal Safety Culture Task Force  
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