

## **Session Title: Rulemaking Process—NRC and Industry Perspectives on Improving Quality, Timeliness, and Consistency in Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* Section 50.55a (10 CFR 50.55a)**

**Description:** The process for developing regulations is called rulemaking. The NRC has been evaluating ways to improve the quality, timeliness, and consistency of the rulemaking process to incorporate updates of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) Code into Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) 50.55a, “Codes and Standards.” Discussions in this session will cover NRC efforts to improve the rulemaking process, highlights from the NRC’s 10 CFR 50.55a Rulemaking Lean Six Sigma Project, the status of enhancements underway, and the NRC technical staff’s perspective on interactions with ASME Code committees as it relates to this rulemaking. In addition, this session will include a discussion of the views of ASME Code members and industry representatives concerning this rulemaking activity and further opportunities to enhance the process.

**Session Chair:** Timothy McGinty, NRC/NRR

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### **Panelists:**

A New Approach

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The Need for Timely and Consistent Rulemaking: An ASME Code User’s Perspective

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10 CFR 50.55a: Time for Change

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What’s Next? Continual Improvement

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