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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF PUBLIC MEETING HELD ON JUNE 17, 2008, TO
DISCUSS NRC REVIEW OF NEI 08-02 AND NEI 08-01

The Construction Inspection and Allegations Branch of the Division of Construction Inspection and Operational Programs (DCIP) in the Office of New Reactors (NRO) conducted a category 2 meeting on Tuesday, June 17th, 2008 with the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI), industry, and members of the public at NEI offices at 11426 Rockville Pike Suite 230, Rockville, MD 20852 from 8:00 am until 11:30 am. The topic focused on the NRC staff's review of the NEI 08-02 and NEI 08-01.

NEI began the meeting with a presentation and discussion of document NEI 08-02 "Problem Identification and Resolution for New Nuclear Power Plants during Construction". NEI stated that the document was developed utilizing the existing framework for PI&R at operating plants, with additional consideration for the needs in the construction environment. A primary driver for their document is to provide a tool for the licensee to communicate the significance of findings to its suppliers, designers and vendors. NEI stepped through the document, including detailed discussions of the flow chart and thresholds and answered questions from the NRC during the presentation and at the end of the presentation.

The NRC had a limited time to review the document prior to the meeting, and as a result the NRC did not have a prepared assessment of the document to provide to NEI for a formal response. In general, the NRC response to the document was positive. The most consistent issue with the document is the actual text did not always adequately convey the intention. The NRC provided feedback at the meeting and agreed to develop a more complete evaluation for future discussion. Some of this evaluation will be discussed at the July 10th 2008 category 3 public meeting. Additional discussions are preliminarily scheduled for an August 4th 2008 category 2 public meeting.

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