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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF AUGUST 19, 2010, NRC CONSTRUCTION
INSPECTION PROGRAM CATEGORY 3 PUBLIC MEETING
WITH THE INDUSTRY AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC

On August 19, 2010, the NRC, Office of New Reactors (NRO) held a public meeting to discuss various topics relating to new reactor construction (Agencywide Documents Access and Managements System (ADAMS) Accession Number ML102110198). The purpose of the meeting was to update and solicit feedback from members of the public on the progress made in various topics related to Inspections, Tests, Analyses, and Acceptance Criteria (ITAAC), Changes during Construction, and Pre-Combined License (COL) Inspections.

The meeting began with a presentation by Mahmoud Jardaneh and Travis Chapman of Division of Construction Inspection and Operational Programs (DCIP), and Scott Freeman of NRC Region II Center for Construction Inspection (CCI) on the Simulated ITAAC Closure and Verification Demonstration (ML102310329). Mr. Jardaneh gave an overview of the demonstration's four stages and communication plan. Mr. Freeman then presented the details of Stage One, ITAAC Closure and NRC Assessment, and the expectations of participants during this stage. Additionally, Mr. Chapman discussed similar details of the D-RAP ITAAC and presented the ITAAC revision that will be used for the demonstration.

Following the NRC staff presentation, Westinghouse and Southern Nuclear Company representatives, Thom Ray and Paulo Albuquerque, shared their plans and expectations for each of the six ITAAC selected for the demonstration (ML102310538).

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They also proposed that the NRC staff perform a site inspection at Vogtle on September 8-9, 2010 for limited ITAAC information, and then perform a simulated inspection of the six ITAAC closure packages at the Westinghouse facility in Cranberry, Pennsylvania on September 22-23, 2010.

The meeting continued with a presentation by Edmond Kleeh of DCIP on ITAAC Closure Verification Process (ML102310164). The NRC staff also presented the ITAAC closure and verification process flowchart. This flowchart was tested during a counterpart meeting with Region II in March 2010. It will be used for ITAAC closure verification during the simulated ITAAC demonstration. The staff plans to present multiple examples to exercise various paths on the flowchart during an upcoming public meeting.

Next, Russ Bell of the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) provided industry comments on RIS 2008-05, Revision 1, and Brandon Waites of Southern Nuclear Company presented on industry comments for IP 40600 (ML102290566, ML102320199). A question and answers session between industry and NRC staff followed that clarified the NRC staff perspective on its approach to developing the IP. The staff indicated it would consider the industry comments in future revisions of IP 40600, but would make no commitments regarding whether they would actually be incorporated.

In the afternoon, Jerry Wilson of the Division of New Reactor Licensing (DNRL) presented an updated status of Changes during Construction (ML102310327). Mr. Wilson provided details of the Working Group's (WG) progress for resolving the four problem statements. The WG recommends that "not construction" activities under 50.10(a)(2) could be performed by the licensee without assurance of approval of the amendment request by the NRC. The WG personnel will review and evaluate enforcement discretion options available for new nuclear facilities construction. The WG is working on risk informed guidance and determining the applicability of NEI 96-07. The WG is conducting an internal workshop on severe accident design feature changes and definition of substantial increase. Mr. Wilson also led a short question and answer session on changes during construction.

Kimberly Keithline of the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) gave a presentation on Appendix C to NEI 96-07, Guidelines for Managing Changes under 10 CFR 52 Processes (ML102310327, ML102310323). Ms. Keithline discussed how Appendix C to NEI 96-07 will provide guidance to Licensees for managing potential changes during new reactor design and construction. NRC's comments are requested by October 29, 2010.

Last, Carl Weber of DCIP presented an update on the status of on the topic of Pre-Combined License (Pre-COL) inspections (ML102290579). He discussed the planned program revisions for inclusion of the Pre-COL Inspections Process. Inspection Manual Chapter (IMC) 2506 will be revised to provide an overview of the Pre-COL Inspection Process, while the IMC 2502 revisions will provide a working level description of the process. Inspection Procedure (IP) 35007 will be revised to include applicants and specific Pre-COL inspection requirements. IMC 0613 will be revised to address Pre-COL inspection findings and results. All revisions are expected to be complete by 11/1/2010.

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A list of meeting attendees is attached. The next Category 3 public meeting will be held on October 7, 2010 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Two White Flint North Auditorium, in Rockville MD.

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Members of the public were in attendance and Public Meeting Feedback forms were distributed and submitted according to standard protocols. Please direct any inquiries to Douglas Copeland at 301-415-0517 or Douglas.Copeland@nrc.gov.

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Category 3 Public Meeting (NRO)
Two White Flint North
August 19, 2010

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