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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF FEBRUARY 26, 2015, PUBLIC MEETING TO

DISCUSS THE CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION PROGRAM

On February 26, 2015, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) held a public meeting with industry and members of the public to discuss the Construction Inspection Program. The following summarizes each of the presentation topics from the meeting agenda:

- a. The meeting began with a presentation on Draft Guidance (DG) 1316/Regulatory Guide (RG) 1.215, "Guidance for ITAAC Closure Under 10 CFR Part 52", which was issued for a 60-day public comment period ending March 6, 2015. The draft revision to RG 1.215 endorses NEI 08-01, "Industry Guideline for the ITAAC Closure Process under 10 CFR Part 52, Revision 5 Corrected". The staff explained the new regulatory guide format, as well as differences between revision 1 to RG 1.215 and the draft revision 2. Discussions focused on the Staff Regulatory Guidance section, where staff offers guidance for complying with provisions of 10 CFR 52.99 in addition to the content of NEI 08-01. The final RG 1.215 Revision 2 will be published after public comment resolution. (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML15056A411).
- b. The NRC staff discussed the staff's consideration of NRC Staff Review of Uncompleted ITAAC Notifications (UINs). Issues such as the ability to apply results of UIN review to ITAAC Closure Notice (ICN) review, staff workload, public participation, updates to staff processes and infrastructure, and the potential for information in early UIN submittals to become outdated were discussed due to possible impacts on this potential NRC staff effort. NRC staff is still considering this item.

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- c. The NRC staff discussed the principal changes to Inspection Procedure 65001.06, Inspection Procedure 65001.06, "Inspection of ITAAC-Related Installation of Mechanical Components" 2008 to 2015. The discussion highlighted the changes to the inspection procedure including inspection objective, installation, welding, post-installation, and testing and verification changes that this revision incorporated (ADAMS Accession No. ML15056A416).
- d. The NRC staff presented a discussion on inspection protocol. The discussion provided the regulatory basis by which NRC inspectors are authorized to perform inspections, the scope of NRC inspections, expectations for access to NRC inspectors, and the expectation of feedback that NRC inspectors should provide to licensees (ADAMS Accession No. ML15056A414).
- e. The NRC staff discussed the NRC transition working group report on the "Transition from cROP to ROP." This discussion covered the background of the assignment to develop a strategy to support an effective transition of regulatory oversight and licensing from a construction oversight phase to a operating reactor oversight phase. The working group produced a report "Assessment of the Staff's Readiness to Transition Regulatory Oversight and Licensing as New Reactors Proceed from Construction to Operation," which was released September 9th, 2014 (ADAMS Accession No. ML14031A386). The presentation highlighted several noteworthy examples of activities already underway that enable staff to address regulatory challenges presented by new reactors, and the readiness issues that require additional NRC staff action to ensure the NRC is prepared to effective license and oversee future construction activities and transitions. (ADAMS Accession No. ML15056A413).
- f. Representatives from Southern Nuclear Operating Company provided construction updates for Vogtle Units 3 and 4 (ML15058A528).

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