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NOTIFICATION OF A CONCEPTUAL EXAMPLE OF A PROPOSED RISK MANAGEMENT REGULATORY FRAMEWORK POLICY STATEMENT FOR PUBLIC COMMENT (FSME-13-130)

Purpose: To provide notification of: 1) a Federal Register Notice (FRN) on a "Conceptual Example of a Proposed Risk Management Regulatory Framework Policy Statement" requesting public comments, and 2) a public meeting on this topic on January 30, 2014.

Background: On November 25, 2013, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) published, "Conceptual Example of a Proposed Risk Management Regulatory Framework Policy Statement," in the Federal Register and requested public comments.

Link to FRN: 78 FR 70354; November 25, 2013

Link to white paper describing the conceptual example: ML13273A517

The conceptual example would set forth a possible Commission policy regarding the use of an integrated decision-making model that employs defense-in-depth concepts and applies risk insights. It would apply to the implementation of the NRC's performance-based strategies for regulation in all program areas. The white paper is an illustration of the staff's work in progress and is expected to be modified as both NRC review and external reviews are solicited and considered.

Discussion: The original FRN provided a closing date of January 10, 2014, for the public review and comment period. NRC will be publishing another FRN with extending of the closing date for public comments to February 28, 2014. In addition, a public meeting on this topic will be held on January 30, 2014, at NRC Headquarters in Rockville, Maryland. The purpose of this meeting will be for NRC staff to answer questions, provide clarifications to the white paper, and solicit early stakeholder comments. This will be a Category 3 public meeting, and any stakeholders interested in providing a presentation should send a request to the contact listed below. Presentations must be directly related to providing comments on the white paper (i.e., addressing the questions in the FRN). Please send your request for presentation as soon as possible. Those who request a presentation will be notified if they are chosen to be included on agenda, which may depend on the number of requests.

However, there will be no notification for those who request a presentation and could not be included on the agenda. The public meeting notice will be posted at: http://meetings.nrc.gov/pmns/mtg no later than 10 calendar days before the meeting. Please contact the individual listed below with any questions.

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