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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF THE REACTOR OVERSIGHT PROCESS MONTHLY
PUBLIC MEETING HELD ON MAY 20, 2021

On May 20, 2021, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff hosted a public meeting with the Nuclear Energy Institute's (NEI's) Reactor Oversight Process (ROP) Task Force executives, and other senior industry executives, to discuss the staff's progress on the ROP initiatives. The topics discussed during this teleconference are described below.

Changes to Inspection Procedure 52003, "Digital Instrumentation and Control Modification Inspection"

The NRC staff provided an overview of the upcoming changes to Inspection Procedure (IP) 52003, "Digital Instrumentation and Control Modification Inspection," expected to be issued by July 2021 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML21139A229). IP 52003 is an infrequently performed inspection that is conducted on an as-needed basis requiring regional administrator authorization. The changes to IP 52003 include: 1) an overall update to the procedure taking into account lessons learned while conducting digital instrumentation and control inspections of the AP1000 units as well as the last use of the IP at Oconee; and 2) additional inspection of licensee oversight of the vendors manufacturing the modification if the licensees utilize the alternate review process as described in Interim Staff Guidance 06, Revision 2.

Industry Report on Lessons Learned from COVID Pandemic

NEI provided a presentation on the industry's experience in responding to and supporting NRC inspections during the widespread use of remote and hybrid inspections as a result of the COVID pandemic (ADAMS Accession No. ML21139A116). This presentation was a continuation of the COVID lesson-learned presentation that NEI provided to the NRC during the

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April 2021 ROP meeting. The presentation focused on describing the COVID “Experiment,” what was learned from the pandemic, the new industry normal and the need for adaptation. NEI provided recommendations that the nuclear industry could implement as a result of COVID lessons-learned that included the following:

- establish guiding principles for adapting the inspection program to the New Normal;
- engage with industry and other external stakeholders to identify challenges and solutions and address staff questions; and
- identify opportunities to improve the inspection process through the use of technology (e.g., information collection).”

NEI concluded the presentation by expressing their interest of collaborating with the NRC staff on COVID lessons-learned initiatives.

Meeting Action Items

No actions.

Communicating with the NRC staff

At the start of all ROP public meetings, the project manager provides contact information for the public to use to provide their name as a participant in the meeting. This contact information is also provided for submitting questions and comments to the NRC technical staff. Please note that any questions and/or comments pertaining to the ROP project can be sent to Tekia.Govan@nrc.gov. Questions and/or comments will be forward to the appropriate NRC staff. The staff also mentioned the role out of the “Contact Us about ROP” page on the new ROP website, which can also be used to submit questions and comments regarding the ROP initiative (<https://www.nrc.gov/reactors/operating/oversight/contactus.html>).

Conclusion

At the end of the meeting, NRC and industry management gave closing remarks. NEI expressed appreciation for the open dialogue and willingness of NRC staff to hear industry views. The NRC management stressed the importance of the NRC being focused on providing reasonable assurance of public health and safety when considering changes to the ROP.

The enclosure provides the attendance list for this meeting.

Enclosure:
As stated

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LIST OF ATTENDEES

REACTOR OVERSIGHT PROCESS MONTHLY PUBLIC MEETING

May 20, 2021, 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM

Name	Organization¹	Name	Organization
Jean Fleming	PSEG	George Smith	NRC
Gary DeMoss	PSEG	Justin Fowler	NRC
Jim Slider	NEI	Ashley Demeter	NRC
Deann Raleigh	Unknown	Julio Lara	NRC
Andrew Mauer	NEI	Eugene Keller	NRC
Matthew Rector	Exelon	Faramarz Pournia	NRC
Robin Ritzman	Curtiss-Wright	Andrea Kock	NRC
Stephanie Pyle	Entergy	Stephen Campbell	NRC
Chris Nolan	Unknown	Tekia Govan	NRC
Steve Catron	NextEra	Chris Miller	NRC
Ted Quinn	Unknown	Paul Goldberg	NRC
Tony Zimmerman	Duke Energy	Sam Graves	NRC
John Conly	Certrec	Jeffrey Bream	NRC
Neil Archambo	Duke Energy	Anthony Masters	NRC
John Connelly	Exelon	Jorge Corujo-Sandin	NRC
Edwin Lyman	Union of Concerned Scientists	Reinaldo Rodriguez	NRC
Marty Phalen	NEI	Marc Ferdas	NRC
Steve Dolley	S&P Global Platts	Michael Montecalvo	NRC
Rob Burg	EPM	Antonios Zoulis	NRC
Mark Burzynski	NewClear Day	Charles Murray	NRC
Tim Riti	NEI	Nicole Fields	NRC
Maggie Staiger	Unknown	Kerri Kavanagh	NRC
Jonathan Johnson	TVA	Russ Gibbs	NRC
Nicole Good	Star Alliance	Ami Agrawal	NRC
Matthew Shakun	Westinghouse	David Curtis	NRC
Richard Supler	Enercon	Christopher Cauffman	NRC
Harry Balian	PSEG	Andy Rosebrook	NRC
Ron Gaston	Entergy	Joylynn Quinones-Navarro	NRC
Roy Linthicum	Exelon	Leonard Cline	NRC
Mandy Halter	Entergy	Diana Betancourt-Roldan	NRC
Frankie Pimentel	NEI	Russell Felts	NRC
Henry Strittmatter	NRC	Douglas Bollock	NRC

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Amy Hardin	NRC	Amy Hardin	NRC
Bryan Edwards	NRC	Bryan Edwards	NRC
Samir Darbali	NRC	Samir Darbali	NRC
Michael Waters	NRC	Michael Waters	NRC
Michael Webb	NRC	Michael Webb	NRC
Viktoria Mitlyng	NRC	Viktoria Mitlyng	NRC
Bridget Curran	NRC	Bridget Curran	NRC
Muzammil Siddiqui	NRC	Amy Hardin	NRC
Eric Duncan	NRC	Bryan Edwards	NRC
Ed Miller	NRC	Tony Nakanishi	NRC
Wendy Brost	NRC	Bill Roggenbrodt	NRC
Robert Ruiz	NRC	Ryan Treadway	NRC
Jordon Glisan	NRC	Dong Park	NRC