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SUBJECT: PUBLIC MEETING SUMMARY ON THE MITIGATING SYSTEMS
PERFORMANCE INDEX AND THE REACTOR OVERSIGHT
PROCESS MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 19, 2005

On October 19, 2005, a Mitigating Systems Performance Index (MSPI) and Reactor Oversight Process (ROP) combined public meeting was held at the One White Flint North Building, Room O6B4. Attachment 1 contains the attendance list for the meeting. Attachment 2 contains the agenda topics for the combined meeting.

Meeting attendees discussed the status of the staff review of the MSPI basis documents, and the remaining milestones before scheduled MSPI implementation in January 2006. All monitored MSPI systems have been reviewed, with the exception of the support cooling water system which began this week. During the meeting, the staff discussed eight generic guidance and implementation issues, some of which affect nearly all plants. These issues included basis document incompleteness and mathematical errors, MSPI component Birnbaum value truncation and convergence issues, misinterpretations of the implementation guidance, system boundary scoping issues, and unresolved "A" and "B" facts and observations (F&Os) that impact MSPI risk coefficient values. In addition, the staff has determined that the basis document quality necessary to support MSPI implementation is potentially unacceptable for approximately 20 to 30 percent of the plants. NEI and industry have agreed on the generic issues and these issues were addressed with licensees during a October 20, 2005, industry webcast. The meeting attendees also discussed a possible delay in implementation due to the significant effort needed by both industry and the staff in the next two months. Industry believes the implementation date achievable but committed to evaluate the effort needed. The staff has also made good progress in the review of MSPI component candidate outliers, and currently, 15-20 outliers will need to be addressed and resolved during the final December 5-6, 2005, MSPI workshop.

During the second half of the meeting, participants discussed ROP cross cutting issues, performance indicator (PI) general improvements, and open and new frequently asked questions on the PIs.

The next meeting of the MSPI/ROP Working Group will be November 16 and 17, 2005.

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2. October 19, 2005 Meeting Agenda
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ATTENDANCE LIST
INDUSTRY/STAFF MSPI/ROP PUBLIC MEETING
October 19, 2005

	NAME	AFFILIATION
1.	John Thompson	NRC
2.	Stuart Richards	NRC
3.	John Butler	NEI
4.	Donald Dube	NRC
5.	Bill Fitzpatrick	INPO
6.	Peter Appignani	NRC
7.	Lenny Sueper	NMC
8.	Ken Heffner	Progress
9.	Glen Masters	INPO
10.	Al Haeger	Exelon
11.	Gerald Sowers	APS
12.	Don Olson	Dominion
13.	Gerhard K. Samide	Westinghouse
14.	Roy Linthicum	Exelon
15.	Kerry Landis	NRC
16.	Deann Raleigh	LIS, Scientech
17.	Duane Kanitz	APS
18.	John Giddens	Southern Nuclear
19.	Jim Sumpter	NPPD-Entergy
20.	David Wrona	NRC
21.	Greg Gibson	SCE/USA
22.	Don Hickman	NRC
23.	Fred Mashburn	TVA
24.	Neil Perry	NRC
25.	Michael Runyan	NRC
26.	Victoria Warren	Erin
27.	Jenny Weil	NcGraw-Hill
28.	Kay Nicholson	Duke/Catawba
29.	Jorge Ramirez	DTE/BWROG
30.	DeAnn Ralieggh	(By phone)
31.	Jim Andersen	NRC

MSPI/ROP WORKING GROUP PUBLIC MEETING

AGENDA

October 19, 2005
9:00 - 4:00 p.m. (O6B4)

9:00 - 9:05 a.m	Introduction and Purpose of Meeting
9:05 - 10:15 a.m.	Discussion of Generic Issues from the Staff's Outlier Review and Design Basis Reviews
10:15 - 10:30 a.m.	Break
10:00 - 12:00 p.m.	Discussion of MSPI Implementation Issues: PRA Quality Reviews, Resolving Technical and Other Open Issues, and Implementation Guidance
12:00 - 1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:00 - 2:30 p.m.	Discussion of ROP issues: Cross Cutting Issues PI General Improvement Issues
2:30 - 2:45 p.m.	Break
2:45 - 4:00 p.m.	Discussion of Open and New FAQs.
4:00 p.m.	Adjourn