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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF JANUARY 13, 2012, PUBLIC MEETING ON
IMPLEMENTATION OF NEAR—TERM TASK FORCE
RECOMMENDATIONS RELATED TO THE FUKUSHIMA DAIICHI
NUCLEAR POWER PLANT ACCIDENT

On January 13, 2012, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) held a public meeting with interested stakeholders and members of the public to discuss implementation of the *Near-Term Task Force (NTTF) Recommendations for Enhancing Reactor Safety in the 21st Century* report, issued July 12, 2011 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML111861807). The meeting focused on a general implementation approach for the NTTF recommendations, specifically those that are under consideration for implementation without unnecessary delay, referred to as Tier 1 recommendations. The NRC NTTF Steering Committee provided an overview of the path forward and the potential assumptions used for implementing the NTTF near term Tier 1 recommendations. The NRC NTTF Steering Committee discussed a modified approach from SECY-11-0137 to accelerate the issuance of Tier 1 Orders and 50.54(f) letters. Also, the NRC Steering Committee reviewed the enhanced Tier 1 recommendations which factored in a recent Appropriations Bill and Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards recommendations. The staff slides can be obtained through ADAMS Accession No. ML120120491.

Next, the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) presented their proposed approach for addressing the NTTF Tier 1 recommendations. They provided an update on focusing on a *Diverse and Flexible Coping Capability (FLEX)* that leverages on-site and off-site support mechanisms to provide enhanced safety measures for consideration of specific beyond design basis event sequences that would cause a possible extended station blackout condition. There was general agreement that the NRC and Industry (NEI) approaches have the potential for alignment in regards to

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