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SUMMARY OF THE MEETING WITH SHAW AREVA MOX SERVICES RELATED TO THE
THEIR PROPOSED ITEMS RELIED ON FOR SAFETY RISK RANKING AND AUGMENTED
QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN FOR THE MIXED OXIDE FUEL FABRICATION FACILITY

DATE: May 16, 2012

PLACE: Rockville, Maryland

ATTENDEES: See Enclosure 2

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the public meeting was for Shaw AREVA Services (MOX Services or the applicant) personnel to further discuss their revised risk ranking methodology for items relied on for safety (IROFS) and potential changes to the MOX Project Quality Assurance plan (MPQAP) to take into account augmented Quality Assurance (QA) program for lower priority IROFS for the Mixed Oxide Fuel Fabrication Facility (MFFF).

DISCUSSION

MOX Services presented draft changes to the MPQAP that would support the grading of IROFS and the use of augmented QA. The proposed plan would include a section which: a) includes a description of the IROFS risk grading program, b) commercial grade dedication for lower priority IROFS, c) acceptability of commercially available items, d) peer inspection program, and e) performance monitoring, surveillance, and assessments.

MOX Services also provided more details related to the criteria for risk ranking and worked through specific examples. The approach was revised to be more qualitative in nature and includes peer reviews. The purpose of their program is to a) define the relative importance of IROFS to the overall safety criteria; b) identify the IROFS that are a priority; and c) identify lower risk IROFS where augmented QA program could be applied.

The staff had many questions related to the risk ranking methodology and the augmented QA plan. MOX Services will take the comments into account as they prepare their MPQAP revision.

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The meeting concluded with a discussion of future steps including submittal of the MPQAP revision.

No regulatory decisions were made at the meeting.

The meeting was then adjourned.

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May 16, 2012, Meeting Attendees

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