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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF THE SEPTEMBER 21, 2012, PUBLIC MEETING
ON INTERIM STAFF GUIDANCE: SCREENING,
PRIORITIZATION AND IMPLEMENTATION DETAILS (SPID)
FOR JAPAN LESSONS LEARNED NEAR-TERM TASK FORCE
RECOMMENDATION REGARDING SEISMIC REEVALUATION

On September 21, 2012, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff held a Category 2 public meeting¹ to continue development of the guidance document, supporting Recommendation 2.1, seismic reevaluations. This recommendation can be found in *Near-Term Task Force (NTTF) Recommendations for Enhancing Reactor Safety in the 21st Century* report, issued July 12, 2011². The seismic reevaluations were identified by the NTTF as a Tier 1 recommendation. Tier 1 recommendations are those under consideration for implementation without unnecessary delay. The list of attendees is enclosed.

The meeting participants used a webinar format to review and edit the draft guidance document. Following the meeting, the resulting draft, including comments incorporated during the meeting, was made publically available in the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) at Accession No. ML12272A001. Dr. Robert Budnitz, an NRC consultant from Lawrence Berkeley National Lab, discussed his comments on Section 6.6 *Comparison to ASME* [American Society of Mechanical Engineers] / *ANS* [American Nuclear Society] *SPRA* [Seismic Probabilistic Risk Assessment] *Standard and RG* [Regulatory Guide] 1.200³ and Section 6.7 *Peer Review*, during the meeting and committed to providing them in writing to the NRC staff for consideration. The NRC staff will review and incorporate, as appropriate, his comments into the next revision of the SPID document, which will be discussed at a public webinar currently scheduled for October 18, 2012.

¹ The meeting notice is available via the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) under Accession No. ML12251A291.

² The NTTF report is available under ADAMS Accession No. ML111861807.

³ RG 1.200 An Approach for Determining the Technical Adequacy of Probabilistic Risk Assessment Results for Risk-Informed Activities

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Members of the public participated in the webinar and asked clarifying questions throughout the meeting.

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