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SUBJECT: MEETING SUMMARY OF APRIL 17, 2013, INTEGRATED
SAFETY ANALYSIS PROJECT REVIEW AT GLOBAL NUCLEAR
FUELS – AMERICAS, LLC

On April 17, 2013, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff participated in a public meeting held by Global Nuclear Fuels – Americas, LLC (GNF-A). The purpose of this category 1 public meeting was to discuss the status of the GNF-A ISA Action Plan regarding the Balance of Plant. The Action Plan is associated with Inspection Report 070-1113/2009-010, which identified accident scenarios that had not been identified by the licensee. The last public meeting on this topic at the site was in August 2012.

The meeting occurred on the same day as the Public Licensee Performance Review (LPR), addressing the period January 1, 2011, through December 31, 2012. The topic was related to the LPR and gave GNF-A the opportunity to publically communicate the status of ISA Action Plan in context of performance over the LPR period. Enclosure 1 is the list of meeting attendees.

Nick Baker opened the meeting with a short presentation addressing the chronology of events, from a regulatory perspective, including the initial inspection precipitating the finding, the Pre-decisional Enforcement Conference, licensee progress and future Agency action. He stated that the next step will be a team inspection later this summer, to include a Criticality Inspector from Headquarters and a Fuel Facility Inspector from Region II. This presentation is Enclosure 2.

Al Kennedy gave a presentation on the status of GNF-A's ISA Project, and this is attached as Enclosure 3. This presentation focused on the GNF-A approach to the finding, including discussion of licensee analysis and root cause identification. The licensee's approach was to analyze the identified weakness with focused reviews of their processes. Milestones were established for Conversion, Fabrication and finally the Balance of the Plant (BOP), completed March 31, 2013. Amir Wexler, the Facility Manager, closed the meeting stating that GNF-A is

committed to maintaining the quality of the ISA and anticipates further developments in the ISA as a result of this approach to evaluating the finding and expanding ISA awareness to GNF-A employees.

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