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Ms. Cindy K. Bladey  
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Office of Administration  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, DC 20555-0001

**Subject:** Request for a 30-Day Extension of the Public Comment Period for Emergency Planning Exemption Requests for Decommissioning Nuclear Power Plants, NSIR/DPR-ISG-02(*Federal Register Vol. 79, 1900*, dated January 10, 2014; Docket ID NRC-2014-0002)

**Project Number: 689**

Dear Ms. Bladey:

On behalf of the nuclear industry, the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI)<sup>1</sup> submits the following request for consideration by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff. Specifically, we request a 30-day extension of the public comment period for Emergency Planning Exemption Requests for Decommissioning Nuclear Power Plants, NSIR/DPR-ISG-02(*Federal Register Vol. 79, 1900*, dated January 10, 2014; Docket ID NRC-2014-0002). Comments were originally requested by March 11<sup>th</sup>.

In a letter dated January 16, 2014 to Mr. Robert J. Lewis, Division Director, Division of Preparedness and Response, Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response; NEI requested a public meeting with NRC staff. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss ISG questions developed by NEI's Emergency Preparedness Decommissioning Task Force. The industry questions and NRC answers would help inform the comment process.

The NRC granted the public meeting request, and the meeting is scheduled for March 6, 2014. (ADAMS Accession No.: ML14030A446)

<sup>1</sup> The Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) is the organization responsible for establishing unified industry policy on matters affecting the nuclear energy industry, including the regulatory aspects of generic operational and technical issues. NEI's members include all entities licensed to operate commercial nuclear power plants in the United States, nuclear plant designers, major architect/engineering firms, fuel cycle facilities, nuclear materials licensees, and other organizations and entities involved in the nuclear energy industry.

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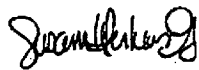
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NEI requests a 30-day extension of the comment period to April 7, 2014; to allow adequate time to inform industry comments on the ISG with information provided in the public meeting.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of the comment extension. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Martin Hug at (202) 739-8129; [mth@nei.org](mailto:mth@nei.org).

Sincerely,

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Attachment

c: Mr. Joseph D. Anderson, NSIR/DPR/DDEP/ORLOB, NRC  
Mr. Scott A. Morris, NSIR/DPR, NRC  
Mr. Robert J. Lewis, NSIR/DPR, NRC



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**Subject:** Public Meeting Request to Discuss Emergency Planning Exemption Requests for Decommissioning Nuclear Power Plants, NSIR/DPR-ISG-02 (*Federal Register Vol. 79, 1900*, dated January 10, 2014; Docket ID NRC-2014-0002)

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Dear Mr. Lewis:

On behalf of the nuclear energy industry, the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI)<sup>1</sup> appreciates the opportunity to provide comments on draft NRC Emergency Planning Exemption Requests for Decommissioning Nuclear Power Plants, NSIR/DPR-ISG-02, published in the subject Federal Register notice.

The NEI Emergency Preparedness Decommissioning Task Force met on January 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> for the purpose of reviewing the subject ISG. The task force identified a number of questions that, if answered by the NRC, would inform the comment process.

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NEI requests a public meeting with the NRC staff to discuss the Emergency Preparedness Decommissioning Task Force questions. If the public meeting cannot be scheduled within the 60-day comment period, then NEI respectfully requests an extension of the comment period to accommodate the public meeting.

If requested, NEI will provide the questions in advance of the public meeting.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of a public meeting. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Martin Hug at (202) 739-8129; [mth@nei.org](mailto:mth@nei.org).

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