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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING CONDUCTED FOR  
THE ADVANCED REACTOR GENERIC ENVIRONMENTAL  
IMPACT STATEMENT

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff conducted an environmental scoping meeting related to the development of the Advanced Nuclear Reactor Generic Environmental Impact Statement (ANR GEIS). The scoping meeting was held on May 28, 2020, via WebEx to allow maximum public participation. The purpose of the scoping meeting was to provide the public with information on the Advanced Reactor GEIS and seek input from the public on the proposed GEIS. The staff explained why it is doing the ANR GEIS, and its role in the environmental review for a future advanced reactor application. The staff described how it planned to evaluate environmental impacts using a technology neutral approach for a small-scale advanced reactor sited anywhere in the United States that meets NRC regulations. The staff described the NRC's environmental review process for the ANR GEIS, and how the public can submit comments during the scoping period.

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Enclosures: As stated

The meeting was well attended with approximately 120 people participating including the public, local, State, Tribal and Federal government officials and advanced reactor developers. As discussed in SECY-20-0020, the staff requested comments on the plant parameter envelope for the GEIS, including the maximum power level that should be assumed in the ANR GEIS. Commenters generally expressed support for the ANR GEIS development effort and provided feedback on the plant and site parameter envelopes, the scope of the ANR GEIS, and consideration of previous environmental review experience. A representative of the Navajo Nation stated that the Tribe has suffered and continues to suffer enormously from the legacy of irresponsible uranium mining and processing in the Southwest and they have great concerns about expansion of nuclear energy. Public comments on the scoping process are due June 30, 2020. The staff plans to issue the draft ANR GEIS on May 1, 2021. A list of attendees is provided in Enclosure 1. Enclosure 2 is the meeting notice. Enclosure 3 is the transcript for the meeting. Enclosure 4 is the meeting slides.

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1. Meeting Summary (ML20161A340)
2. Enclosure 1: Attendee List (ML20161A341)
3. Enclosure 2: Meeting Notice (ML20148M245)
4. Enclosure 3: Transcript (Corrected) (ML20161A342)
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