

**From:** Tregoning, Robert  
**Sent:** Thu, 28 May 2015 10:20:51 -0400  
**To:** Hull, Amy;Frankl, Istvan  
**Cc:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Efforts June NRC-Industry materials mtg 5-28-15 mah.abh.pptx

All:

Please just let me know when this is final so that I can send it to NRR for placing in ADAMS.

Thanks,

Rob

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**From:** Hull, Amy  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 28, 2015 10:03 AM  
**To:** Frankl, Istvan  
**Cc:** Tregoning, Robert; Hiser, Matthew  
**Subject:** Harvesting Efforts June NRC-Industry materials mtg 5-28-15 mah.abh.pptx

We have made changes suggested. I will drop the 390 form off for you now.

**From:** Frankl, Istvan  
**Sent:** Fri, 29 May 2015 10:03:42 -0400  
**To:** Tregoning, Robert; Hiser, Matthew; Hull, Amy  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Efforts June NRC-Industry materials mtg 5-28-15 mah.abh.pptx

Rob,

This presentation can be put in the public ADAMS as is. The document in ADAMS can be replaced if we can fix slide 15 on Monday.

Thanks,

Steve

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**From:** Tregoning, Robert  
**Sent:** Friday, May 29, 2015 10:03 AM  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew; Hull, Amy; Frankl, Istvan  
**Subject:** Re: Harvesting Efforts June NRC-Industry materials mtg 5-28-15 mah.abh.pptx

Matt:

Can I go ahead and put this version in ADAMS? We can still use the clean version for the presentation on Wednesday.

Rob

Sent from an NRC Blackberry  
Robert Tregoning

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Friday, May 29, 2015 09:39 AM  
**To:** Hull, Amy; Frankl, Istvan  
**Cc:** Tregoning, Robert  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Efforts June NRC-Industry materials mtg 5-28-15 mah.abh.pptx

Hi Rob, Steve, Amy,

I have made the changes in accordance with Kathy's comments as relayed by Steve in the attached PP. One final tweak Amy and I will try to make on Monday is to Slide 15 – if we can clean up the source slide from DOE, just so the information comes through clearly.

Thanks!  
Matt

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**From:** Hull, Amy  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 28, 2015 10:03 AM

**To:** Frankl, Istvan

**Cc:** Tregoning, Robert; Hiser, Matthew

**Subject:** Harvesting Efforts June NRC-Industry materials mtg 5-28-15 mah.abh.pptx

We have made changes suggested. I will drop the 390 form off for you now.

**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Mon, 3 Oct 2016 12:58:23 +0000  
**To:** Lyon, Fred  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Materials from Fort Calhoun

Great, thanks Fred! My contact has been with Kristen Jacobsen at OPPD.

I will let you know if I need anything – just wanted to make sure there weren't any surprises if something got mentioned to you or the residents/region.

Thanks!  
Matt

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**From:** Lyon, Fred  
**Sent:** Saturday, October 01, 2016 7:36 PM  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew <Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Materials from Fort Calhoun

Thanks for the info, Matt. Please let me know who your engineering contact is at FCS, so that if his name comes up with my licensing contact, I'll know who it is. Otherwise, just let me know if you need anything. Fred

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Friday, September 30, 2016 12:39 PM  
**To:** Lyon, Fred <[Fred.Lyon@nrc.gov](mailto:Fred.Lyon@nrc.gov)>  
**Subject:** Harvesting Materials from Fort Calhoun

Hi Fred,

I am a materials engineer in the Office of Research and am involved in a project to look into opportunities to harvest materials from decommissioning plants. I have been working with Bob Hardies (an SL in NRR/DE), who is retiring today.

Through Bob's contacts at Exelon, we reached out to an engineer at Fort Calhoun to inquire about what components they may have available for harvesting from Fort Calhoun, particularly from the vessel and internals. We have had one phone call with their vessel and internals engineer to discuss what materials they have in their vessel and internals. On this call, Bob and I made it very clear that this was purely an information-gathering exercise for research purposes and they were under no obligation to provide any information.

As the NRC PM for Fort Calhoun, I wanted to make you aware of this contact with Fort Calhoun and the potential for some further interaction to discuss harvesting possibilities at Fort Calhoun. Please advise if there is anything I should be aware of with reaching out to my contact at Fort Calhoun.

Thanks!  
Matt



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**From:** Doutt, Clifford  
**Sent:** Wed, 3 Feb 2016 17:55:08 -0500  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting meeting placeholder

Hi Matt,

Thanks -- will do.

CLiff

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 03, 2016 4:08 PM  
**To:** Doutt, Clifford <Clifford.Doutt@nrc.gov>; Abogunde, Maryann <Maryann.Abogunde@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting meeting placeholder

Hi Cliff,

For this working group, we were piloting focusing on metallic components. I think our goal will be to expand to electrical and structural components over time.

So it probably won't make as much sense to attend at this point, but it would be good to talk to Roger and stay in the loop. He can share with you where we are heading and hopefully we can really expand as time goes on.

Thanks!  
Matt

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**Sent:** Wednesday, February 03, 2016 3:53 PM  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew <[Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov](mailto:Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov)>; Abogunde, Maryann <[Maryann.Abogunde@nrc.gov](mailto:Maryann.Abogunde@nrc.gov)>  
**Subject:** Harvesting meeting placeholder

Hi Matthew,

Roger forwarded the meeting place holder to me. I thought I would check and see whether you wanted DLR electrical at the meeting or is this for none components?

Thanks,

Cliff

**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Tue, 15 May 2018 18:36:13 +0000  
**To:** Purtscher, Patrick  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Meeting Prep / Alignment

Hi Pat, will you be attending or should we call you?

Thanks!  
Matt

-----Original Appointment-----

**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Monday, May 07, 2018 4:09 PM  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew; Purtscher, Patrick; Tregoning, Robert; Audrain, Margaret  
**Subject:** Harvesting Meeting Prep / Alignment  
**When:** Tuesday, May 15, 2018 3:30 PM-4:30 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).  
**Where:** T10D40

Prep / Alignment for meeting with electrical / concrete folks the following day.

Note to requester: Attachment is immediately following. The box with the red X in the first email is the PDF attachment (PDF Adobe icon and the file name) imbedded into the body of the email.

**From:** Moyer, Carol  
**Sent:** Thu, 19 Oct 2017 07:56:02 -0400  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting of Aged Materials from Operating and Decommissioning Nuclear Power Plants  
**Attachments:** PLiM 2017 guidelines.pdf

Hi Matt,

Thank you for doing this. I will take a look at the content for possible suggested improvements. In the meantime, you should review the style guide sent from PLiM, and consider some formatting changes in your file (headers, e.g.).

-Carol



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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 18, 2017 4:44 PM  
**To:** Tregoning, Robert <Robert.Tregoning@nrc.gov>; Hull, Amy <Amy.Hull@nrc.gov>; Purtscher, Patrick <Patrick.Purtscher@nrc.gov>; Ramuhalli, Pradeep (Pradeep.Ramuhalli@pnnl.gov) <Pradeep.Ramuhalli@pnnl.gov>  
**Cc:** Frankl, Istvan <Istvan.Frankl@nrc.gov>; Audrain, Margaret <Margaret.Audrain@nrc.gov>; Moyer, Carol <Carol.Moyer@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting of Aged Materials from Operating and Decommissioning Nuclear Power Plants

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Hi Rob, Amy, Pat, Pradeep,

I have adapted our previous poster / presentation into a paper (attached) on very short notice. The deadline for PLiM papers is technically today, but given the extremely late notice, hopefully they can live with receiving it early next week following staff and management review here.

If you can possibly take a look at this by tomorrow (Thursday) or Friday and provide any feedback, that would be great.

I still need to clean up the references section, so don't mind the very casual state of it now. I'll clean that up tomorrow hopefully...

Thanks!  
Matt

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**Cc:** Frankl, Istvan <Istvan.Frankl@nrc.gov>

**Subject:** RE: Harvesting of Aged Materials from Operating and Decommissioning Nuclear Power Plants

<< File: NRC PLiM slides on Harvesting.pptx >>

Hi Rob, Amy, Pat,

Here's is my adaptation of the poster info (along with some additional insights from the workshop) into slides for PLiM.

Please feel free to comment and edit freely. Ideally, we'd like to have these mostly agreed on at a technical level by COB tomorrow (Wednesday) to be able to discuss with NRR on Thursday and enter into management review and concurrence.

Thanks!

Matt

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**Cc:** Thomas, Brian <Brian.Thomas@nrc.gov>; Wilson, George <George.Wilson@nrc.gov>;



Frankl, Istvan <Istvan.Frankl@nrc.gov>

**Subject:** RE: Harvesting of Aged Materials from Operating and Decommissioning Nuclear Power Plants

Allen:

Thanks for the head's up and for offering to make a presentation on this for RES. We're targeting to put together a 20 minute presentation on harvesting that we can discuss with you on Thursday morning. We'll also cover your points 2 and 3 at that time.

Cheers,

Rob

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**Cc:** Thomas, Brian <[Brian.Thomas@nrc.gov](mailto:Brian.Thomas@nrc.gov)>; Wilson, George <[George.Wilson@nrc.gov](mailto:George.Wilson@nrc.gov)>

**Subject:** FW: Harvesting of Aged Materials from Operating and Decommissioning Nuclear Power Plants

**Importance:** High

Another twist to the harvesting paper/presentation/poster for the PLiM conference.

I am willing to make a presentation at this "side event" if RES will put together slides - I would shoot for 20 minutes.

A couple of questions on this topic:

1. Can RES pull together a presentation in the next day or two, that we can discuss Thursday AM?
2. Has a paper been prepared (it appears from below that this is possible for inclusion in the conference proceedings)? If so, can I get a copy of it, or other background information.
3. When will the poster be available to be mailed to Lyon? (Can I get a copy of what it will look like?)

I am sure that other questions will arise.

Allen

-----Original Message-----

From: KANG, Ki-Sig [<mailto:K.S.Kang@iaea.org>]

Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2017 7:17 AM

To: Hiser, Allen <[Allen.Hiser@nrc.gov](mailto:Allen.Hiser@nrc.gov)>

Cc: KHAELSS, Martina <[M.Khaelss@iaea.org](mailto:M.Khaelss@iaea.org)>; KRIVANEK, Robert <[R.Krivanek@iaea.org](mailto:R.Krivanek@iaea.org)>; 4th PLiM Conference - Contact Point <[4th-PLiM-Conference.Contact-Point@iaea.org](mailto:4th-PLiM-Conference.Contact-Point@iaea.org)>

Subject: [External\_Sender] Harvesting of Aged Materials from Operating and Decommissioning Nuclear Power Plants

Dear Allen,

Regarding "Harvesting of Aged Materials from Operating and Decommissioning Nuclear Power Plants", now this paper will be presented on poster session in programme.

I think all of participants will be very interesting to this topic. But we have no time slot to present in oral session. Thus I recommend to arrange a side event to introduce this topic from 13:20 -14:00 on 24, Oct (Tuesday) if you want.

We can arrange the meeting room for presentation and discussion. Please think about and let me know.

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TABLE 1. EXAMPLE TABLE

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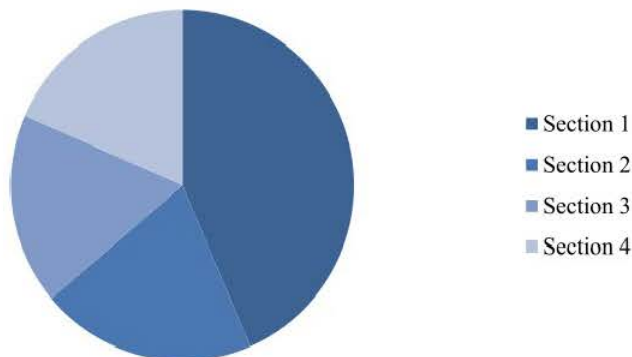


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- Third bullet point.

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  - (i) First subpoint;
  - (ii) Second subpoint.
- (c) Third bullet point.

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## REFERENCES

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Thank you!

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For further background info, here is the workshop summary report and latest version of PNNL harvesting report.

Thanks!  
Matt

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See attached 2 of the NRR papers as examples.

Allen

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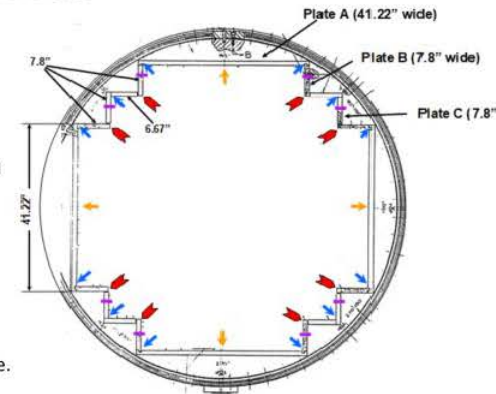
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# **Applying the United States License Renewal Approach to an International Environment**

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**Abstract.** The approach used in the United States for license renewal (plant operation to 60 years) and subsequent license renewal (plant operation to 80 years) is implemented within a structured regulatory framework that includes regulatory process "essential elements" which are integrated to ensure continued safe plant operation. This integrated approach was evaluated by an International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Integrated Regulatory Review Service mission in 2010, in part using the IAEA Periodic Safety Review for comparison. This mission identified only one suggestion related to license renewal: the NRC should incorporate lessons learned from Periodic Safety Reviews performed in other countries as an input to the NRC's assessment processes. For international regulatory frameworks that do not include these regulatory process "essential elements" or similar provisions, use of the license renewal approach followed in the United States may necessitate enhancement of the framework to include activities which achieve similar objectives, in order to ensure continued safe long term plant operation.

## **1. Background**

In accordance with Section 103c of the Atomic Energy Act (AEA) of 1954, as amended, nuclear power plants in the United States are licensed to operate for a term not exceeding 40 years, and may be renewed for up to 20 years. The NRC's regulations related to renewal of operating licenses for nuclear power plants are provided in Part 54 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR Part 54), "Requirements for Renewal of Operating Licenses for Nuclear Power Plants" [1]. 10 CFR 54.31(b) specifies that licenses may be renewed for a specified period not to exceed 20 years, with the renewed license term not to exceed 40 years. In addition, 10 CFR 54.31(d) states that a renewed license may be subsequently renewed in accordance with all applicable requirements, with no explicit limit to the number of "subsequent" renewals for each license.

## **2. U.S. License Renewal Review Process**

The license renewal review implemented in the U.S. is a "limited scope" review, that focuses on aging management of long-lived, passive structures and components in nuclear power plants, such as the reactor pressure vessel, steam generators, piping, seismic Category I structures, electrical cables and connections, among others. The scope of the license renewal review includes:

- (1) safety-related systems, structures, and components (SSCs)
- (2) all nonsafety-related SSCs whose failure could adversely impact functionality of safety-related SSCs
- (3) all SSCs relied on in certain safety analyses or plant evaluations for specific NRC regulations.

This scope is generally consistent with IAEA safety guidance [2]. After in-scope SSCs have been identified, those structures and components (SCs) that are long-lived and passive are subject to aging management review (AMR). SCs that are not subject to AMR are those that are active, such that their failure will be identified during surveillance and testing in accordance with the Maintenance Rule of 10 CFR 50.65, or replaced on a fixed schedule.

The safety principles of the license renewal rule are:

- (1) The ongoing regulatory process is adequate to ensure the safety of operating plants.
- (2) The same plant operating rules apply during the renewal term (i.e., the plant current licensing basis (CLB) is to be maintained).

The combination of these principles means that plants are safe (or the CLB for each plant is adequate) and the regulatory framework in place will ensure that plants will continue to be safe, in part by ensuring that the plant CLB is maintained. The CLB includes the NRC requirements applicable to a specific plant; a licensee's written commitments for ensuring compliance with and operation within the applicable NRC requirements and the plant-specific design basis; orders; license conditions; exemptions; technical specifications; the plant-specific design-basis information documented in the most recent final safety analysis report, and the licensee's commitments remaining in effect that were made in docketed licensing correspondence such as responses to NRC bulletins, generic letters, and enforcement actions, as well as licensee commitments documented in NRC safety evaluations or licensee event reports.

The on-going regulatory process of NRC, and how it works to ensure plant safety, will be described in a later section.

To assist in the implementation of the license renewal rule and to provide assurance that the CLB of each plant will be maintained, the NRC has developed several documents to aid in effective and efficient evaluation of license renewal applications (LRAs). The Generic Aging Lessons Learned (GALL) Report (NUREG-1801) [3] provides generic evaluations of materials and environments to identify applicable aging effects and aging mechanisms, along with acceptable aging management approaches (e.g., aging management programs (AMPs)). Use of the GALL report by applicants and NRC staff facilitates NRC review of LRAs and provides for a stable review process, subject to findings such as emergent technical issues.

The "Standard Review Plan for Review of License Renewal Applications for Nuclear Power Plants," or SRP-LR (NUREG-1800) [4], provides guidance to the NRC staff reviewers in performing safety reviews of applications to renew nuclear power plant licenses in accordance with 10 CFR Part 54. The SRP-LR was developed to assure quality and uniformity of staff reviews and to present a well defined technical basis from which to evaluate a licensee's application. Availability of the SRP-LR aids in the transparency of NRC staff reviews of LRAs such that applicants can understand the types and detail of information needed by the staff in its reviews. The SRP-LR incorporates by reference the GALL Report.

Both the SRP-LR and the GALL Report were initially issued in 2001 and the last revision, Revision 2, was issued in 2011. Subsequent incremental changes to both the SRP-LR and the GALL Report have been implemented through the License Renewal Interim Staff Guidance (LR-ISG) process. A total of 10 LR-ISGs have been issued for Revision 2 of these documents, as listed on the NRC website.

Since 93 out of 99 operating units either have renewed licenses or have submitted LRAs, further full revisions of the SRP-LR and the GALL Report, e.g., Revision 3, will not be issued because of the limited number of plants that would use these reports.

With some plants in the U.S. approaching 50 years of operation, interest in extending licenses for a subsequent operating period to 80 years has been raised. To support subsequent license



renewal (SLR), the NRC has developed guidance documents analogous to those for license renewal, although they specifically address operating conditions to 80 years. The “Generic Aging Lessons Learned for Subsequent License Renewal (GALL-SLR) Report” (NUREG-2191) [5] provides acceptable methods to manage aging effects for 80 years of plant operation. The “Standard Review Plan for Review of Subsequent License Renewal Applications for Nuclear Power Plants” (SRP-SLR) (NUREG-2192) [6] provides guidance to NRC staff reviewers to perform safety reviews of SLR applications.

A more detailed description of the U.S. license renewal process, which also applies to SLR, is provided in [7].

### **3. NRC On-going Regulatory Process**

The NRC on-going regulatory process includes a number of activities. Foremost are the requirements in regulations at Part 50 of Title 10 of the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR Part 50) [8], which plants are obliged to meet at all times. In particular, the Maintenance Rule of 10 CFR 50.65, the Quality Assurance Program of Appendix B to 10 CFR Part 50, and the requirements of 10 CFR 50.55a, Codes and standards, provide the basic framework for aging management that apply from initial plant licensing.

The Maintenance Rule focuses on monitoring and testing activities to ensure that systems, structures and components are capable of performing their intended functions. The Quality Assurance Program requirements ensure that licensees programs meet quality standards and incorporate effective corrective actions on operating experience gained from their inspection and testing. 10 CFR 50.55a focuses on implementation of consensus industry standards, for inspection and testing as well as analysis of results to inform future inspections.

Other provisions to 10 CFR Part 50 that provide aging management functions include regulations related to fire protection (10 CFR 50.48), environmental qualification of electrical equipment (10 CFR 50.49), acceptance criteria for fracture prevention measures for light-water nuclear power reactors for normal operation (10 CFR 50.60), fracture toughness requirements for protection against pressurized thermal shock events (10 CFR 50.61), and alternate fracture toughness requirements (10 CFR 50.61a), fracture toughness requirements (Appendix G to 10 CFR Part 50), the reactor vessel materials surveillance program requirements (Appendix H to 10 CFR Part 50), and primary reactor containment leakage testing for water-cooled power reactors (Appendix J to 10 CFR Part 50).

Besides compliance with the regulations outlined above, other elements of the NRC regulatory process that provide a strong regulatory program to ensure safe plant operation include:

- Resident inspectors who are located on-site at each plant.
- Frequent inspections out of our regional offices to assess performance at each site, include such topics as plant security, emergency planning, radiation protection, environmental monitoring, and inservice inspection and testing.
- A daily assessment of plant events, both domestic and international.
- Safety issue resolutions for both generic issues and plant-specific issues.

In particular for materials aging and degradation issues that are important to safety, resolution of these issues can occur through a variety of approaches, including rule changes, generic communications, issuance of orders, and voluntary actions by plants themselves.

As described in [7], several other countries also utilize the U.S. license renewal process, in some cases as a combination with the periodic safety review (PSR) approach of SSG-25 [9]. All countries utilizing the U.S. approach should ensure that their regulatory framework achieves the same objectives as the U.S. on-going regulatory process essential elements outlined in this section.

#### **4. Comparison with IAEA Long Term Operation Framework**

The IAEA framework for aging management and long term operation (LTO) stems from Specific Safety Requirements No. SSR-2/2 Rev. 1 [10]. Requirement 14: Ageing Management specifies “The operating organization shall ensure that an effective ageing management programme is implemented to ensure that required safety functions of systems, structures and components are fulfilled over the entire operating lifetime of the plant.” In addition, Requirement 16: Programme for long term operation states “Where applicable, the operating organization shall establish and implement a comprehensive programme for ensuring the long term safe operation of the plant beyond a time-frame established in the licence conditions, design limits, safety standards and/or regulations.”

To implement these requirements, the IAEA has issued Specific Safety Guide No. SSG-25, entitled “Periodic Safety Review,” [9] and (in publication) SSG-48, entitled “Ageing Management and Development of a Programme for Long Term Operation of Nuclear Power Plants” [2]. Supporting these SSGs are two Safety Reports and a Services Series report. One of the Safety Reports is Safety Reports Series No. SRS-82, entitled “Ageing Management for Nuclear Power Plants: International Generic Ageing Lessons Learned (IGALL)” [11].

The scope of license renewal review is nearly equivalent to that of the IAEA guidance [2]. The license renewal exclusion of active SCs from aging management review is consistent with a provision (paragraph 5.17) of [2]. In addition, paragraph 4.7 of [2] states “If national requirements do not require periodic safety review [in accordance with [2]], an alternative systematic comprehensive safety assessment that meets the objectives of the periodic safety review is recommended to be performed.” The NRC on-going regulatory process activities described above represent the NRC activities that NRC contends are sufficient to meet the objectives of the PSR.

From the perspective of aging management, the elements of Chapter 5 of SSG-48 [2] are very consistent with the license renewal approach. Specifically, the scoping process (and screening of active SCs in license renewal), the aging management review (AMR), AMPs, and time limited aging analyses described in Chapter 5 of SSG-48 [2] match those of the license renewal process. Further, the AMR master table, AMPs, and TLAAs of SRS-82 are closely aligned with their counterparts in the GALL [3] and SRP-LR [4] reports.

#### **5. IAEA International Regulatory Review Service Mission to U.S.**

The IAEA conducted an Integrated Regulatory Review Service (IRRS) mission to the NRC in 2010. The purpose of this IRRS mission was to review the regulatory framework for safety of the operating nuclear power plants in the United States and the effectiveness of regulatory functions implemented by NRC. The review compared NRC standards against IAEA safety standards as the international benchmark for safety. The mission also provided exchange of information and experience between the IRRS Review Team and the U.S. counterparts in the areas covered by the IRRS mission. The IRRS mission also included Long-term Operation and Aging Management of nuclear power plants as a Regulatory Policy Issue for discussion.

The NRC prepared several documents for the IRRS that directly relate to license renewal [12]:

- Elective Policy Issue #2: Long-Term Operation and Aging Management of Nuclear Facilities [13]
- Module 11A: Periodic Safety Review [14]
- Module 11B: Feedback of Operating Experience [15]
- White Paper: U.S. Approach to Enhancing Safety [16]

Module 11A on periodic safety review (PSR) provided NRC's perspective on how the NRC achieves the objectives of IAEA SSG-25 [9], through its comprehensive set of regulations, inspections and safety review programs. As stated in the paper: "This paper presents an overview of the U.S. regulatory structure, salient features of the U.S. regulation consistent with the PSR approach, and a comparison between the safety factors in the PSR Safety Guide, and the comparable U.S. activities." From a self-assessment described in the paper, the NRC identified the need to review the findings from other PSRs more systematically to verify that international experience is fully evaluated for potential applicability to U.S. licensees. The IRRS mission report identified that the NRC has chosen an alternative approach to PSR, as described in paragraph 2.8 of SSG-25.

The IRRS mission identified the following Good Practices (GP) related to license renewal [17]:

- GP5: The NRC licensing process, and in particular the license renewal process is carried out in a very transparent manner, providing opportunities for hearing and public involvement. A number of meetings are held in the vicinity of the plants to provide the public with information on the license renewal process, solicit input on the environmental review, and to provide the results of the NRC's inspections.
- GP11: NRC has developed and implemented a robust operational experience feedback programme, including also guidance for safety enhancement and corrective actions recommended on the basis of lessons learned. The programme and a unique database are available for sharing experiences with all interested parties both nationally and internationally.
- GP12: NRC collects and documents unique generic lessons learned in U.S. from aging management, and is committed to continue to share them with nuclear community through the IAEA and other international channels as essential contribution to maintaining safety during long term operation of nuclear power plants.

In addition, the mission identified one suggestion related to license renewal [17], which is consistent with the NRC's self-assessment:

- S9: NRC should incorporate lessons learned from PSRs performed in other countries as an input to the NRC's assessment processes.

## **6. U.S. Participation in IAEA LTO Activities**

The IAEA has many activities related to LTO, including the establishment of related IAEA Safety Standards, the International Generic Aging Lessons Learned (IGALL) program, Safety Aspects of Long Term Operation (SALTO) missions, and aging management and LTO workshops. The NRC has had strong participation in each of these activities, to support the sharing of technical information, operating experience, and perspectives on aging management and LTO.

From a recent perspective, the NRC has supported the development of SSG-48 [2], bringing its perspective and extensive experience basis on aging management and LTO review for consideration in the development of the standard.

For the IGALL program, the NRC has been a consistent contributor within the working groups and steering committee since the inception of the program. The initial development of the IGALL program was built upon the basis of the GALL Report, Revision 2, report, in particular the aging management review table (which describes materials, environments, aging effects and degradation mechanisms, and appropriate aging management programs) providing the starting point for the IGALL master table, and the GALL Report, Revision 2, AMPs. The influence of the GALL Report has continued in Phase 3 of the IGALL program, where the draft GALL-SLR document was used as one source of information in updating the IGALL master table, AMPs, and report. This participation has included serving as chairmen of working groups and subgroups, members of working groups and subgroups, and chairman of the steering committee.

The NRC has participated in numerous SALTO missions around the world, including reviews of mechanical components, and civil structures, using its technical knowledge from participation in the IGALL program and reviews of license renewal applications. Similarly, the NRC has participated in numerous aging management and LTO, for both international regulators and for plant operators.

## **7. Summary**

The License Renewal Program in the U.S. is implemented within a larger on-going regulatory process with essential elements that ensures safe plant operation in all operating periods, from the initial 40 year operating period through operating periods with renewed licenses. The efficacy of the U.S. approach was validated through an IAEA IRRS mission, which identified several good practices and one suggestion.

Countries that rely on the U.S. license renewal approach should evaluate their overall regulatory framework to ensure that the functions of the U.S. on-going regulatory process essential elements are implemented within their framework, or consider enhancements to their framework.

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# **Assuring Safe Subsequent License Renewal for Commercial Nuclear Power Reactors in the USA**

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**Abstract.** Renewal of licenses for operating nuclear power plants in the United States is a mature, stable process, with 86 reactors possessing renewed licenses for operation to 60 years. Using the same regulatory process as initial license renewal, the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission issued guidance documents to address subsequent license renewal, for plant operation to 80 years, in July 2017. Although the license renewal (and subsequent license renewal) review is a limited scope review that focuses on managing the effects of aging for long-lived, passive structures and components in nuclear power plants during the period of extended operation, the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission has in place a number of regulatory programs (e.g., the analysis of the operating experience, the Reactor Oversight Process, the generic upgrades and regulatory changes, and the use of risk informed regulation) that are integrated to ensure safe plant operation at all stages, including the initial operating license period, the period of extend operation, and the subsequent period of extended operation. The combination of the existing on-going NRC regulatory processes with the detailed license renewal and subsequent license renewal reviews will continue to ensure safe plant operation through the 80 year operating period.

## **1. Background**

In accordance with Section 103c of the Atomic Energy Act (AEA) of 1954, as amended, nuclear power plants in the United States are licensed to operate for a term not exceeding 40 years, and may be renewed. This original 40-year license term for reactor licenses was based on economic and antitrust considerations – not on limitations of nuclear technology.

The NRC's regulations related to renewal of operating licenses for nuclear power plants are provided in Part 54 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR Part 54). 10 CFR 54.31(b) specifies that licenses may be renewed for a specified period not to exceed 20 years, with the renewed license term not to exceed 40 years. In addition, 10 CFR 54.31(d) states that a renewed license may be subsequently renewed in accordance with all applicable requirements, with no explicit limit to the number of "subsequent" renewals for each license.

## **2. Assuring Plant Safety in the First 40 Years of Operation**

From a regulatory perspective, plant safety is assured throughout the first 40 years of plant operation by an interrelated combination of regulations and guidance, licensing processes, oversight activities and consideration of operating experience, which provide for adequate protection of public health and safety at every point during the plant's life. The role of operating experience is a key element because it provides valuable information to adjust our oversight activities and, when necessary, to change regulations or requirements. This is accomplished as the issues are identified for both specific and generic plant activities.

Aging management begins during the plant design and construction phases, and is accomplished through a variety of means, within the context of our existing regulatory processes. Aging management is primarily accomplished through implementation of the NRC's regulations in Part 50 of Title 10 of the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR Part 50) [1]. In particular, the Maintenance Rule of 10 CFR 50.65, the Quality Assurance Program of Appendix B to 10 CFR Part 50, and the requirements of 10 CFR 50.55a, Codes and standards, provide the basic framework that assures adequate aging management for both active and passive components and structures.



The Maintenance Rule focuses on monitoring and testing activities to ensure that systems, structures and components are capable of performing their intended functions. The Quality Assurance Program requirements ensure that licensees programs meet quality standards and incorporate effective corrective actions on operating experience gained from their inspection and testing. 10 CFR 50.55a focuses on implementation of consensus industry standards, for inspection and testing as well as analysis of results to inform future inspections. Other provisions to 10 CFR Part 50 also provide aging management, such as the environmental qualification of electrical equipment (10 CFR 50.49) and the reactor vessel materials surveillance program requirements (Appendix H to 10 CFR Part 50).

There are other elements of our regulatory process that provide reasonable assurance of safe plant operation. These elements include:

- Resident inspectors who are located on-site at each plant.
- Frequent inspections out of our regional offices to assess performance at each site, include such topics as plant security, emergency planning, radiation protection, environmental monitoring, and inservice inspection and testing.
- A daily assessment of plant events, both domestic and international.
- Safety issue resolutions for both generic issues and plant-specific issues.

In particular for materials aging and degradation issues that are important to safety, resolution of these issues can occur through a variety of approaches, including rule changes, generic communications, issuance of orders, and voluntary plant actions.

### **3. Assuring Plant Safety from 40 to 60 Years - License Renewal Review and Guidance**

Plant safety in the operating period from 40 to 60 years follows the same processes and framework identified previously for the first 40 years, with the exception that additional aging management is implemented for operation beyond 40 years. The requirements to identify and implement the additional aging management are established through development of a specific regulation for license renewal, 10 CFR Part 54, "Requirements for Renewal of Operating Licenses for Nuclear Power Plants" [2]. The NRC licensing process ensures the implementation of both generic and plant-specific aging management programs (AMPs) that include operating experience to ensure components continue to perform their intended functions. The NRC's inspection programs verify licensee implementation of the aging management programs.

The scope of license renewal includes (1) safety-related systems, structures, and components (SSCs); (2) all nonsafety-related SSCs whose failure could adversely impact functionality of safety-related SSCs; and (3) all SSCs relied on in certain safety analyses or plant evaluations for specific NRC regulations. After in-scope SSCs have been identified, those structures and components (SCs) that long-lived and passive, such as the reactor pressure vessel, steam generators, piping, seismic Category I structures, electrical cables and connections, among others, are subject to aging management review (AMR). SCs that are not subject to AMR are those that are active, such that their failure will be identified during surveillance and testing in accordance with the Maintenance Rule, or replaced on a fixed schedule.

The fundamental premise of the License Renewal Rule, provided at 10 CFR Part 54, is that the current licensing basis (CLB) for plants is adequate to ensure the safety of operating plants. In this case the CLB includes the NRC requirements applicable to a specific plant; a licensee's written commitments for ensuring compliance with and operation within the applicable NRC requirements and the plant-specific design basis; orders; license conditions;

exemptions; technical specifications; the plant-specific design-basis information documented in the most recent final safety analysis report, and the licensee's commitments remaining in effect that were made in docketed licensing correspondence such as responses to NRC bulletins, generic letters, and enforcement actions, as well as licensee commitments documented in NRC safety evaluations or licensee event reports.

A basic aspect of the License Renewal Rule is a licensee's integrated plant assessment that demonstrates that the SCs requiring AMR have been identified and the effects of aging on their functionality will be managed in order to maintain the CLB such that there is an acceptable level of safety during the period of extended operation from 40 to 60 years. License renewal also involves applicant consideration of time-limited aging analyses (TLAAs), which are those licensee calculations and analyses in the CLB for the SSCs within the scope of license renewal. Each application must include a supplement to the environmental report that complies with the requirements of Subpart A of 10 CFR Part 51 [3].

The NRC has developed several documents to aid in effective and efficient evaluation of license renewal applications (LRAs). The Generic Aging Lessons Learned (GALL) Report (NUREG-1801) [4] provides generic evaluations of materials and environments to identify applicable aging effects and aging mechanisms, along with acceptable aging management approaches (e.g., AMPs). Use of the GALL Report by applicants and NRC staff facilitates NRC review of LRAs and provides for a stable review process, subject to findings such as emergent technical issues.

The "Standard Review Plan for Review of License Renewal Applications for Nuclear Power Plants," or SRP-LR (NUREG-1800) [5], provides guidance to the NRC staff reviewers in performing safety reviews of applications to renew nuclear power plant licenses in accordance with 10 CFR Part 54. The SRP-LR was developed to assure quality and uniformity of staff reviews and to present a well defined technical basis from which to evaluate a licensee's application. Availability of the SRP-LR aids in the transparency of NRC staff reviews of LRAs such that applicants can understand the types and detail of information needed by the staff in its reviews. The SRP-LR incorporates by reference the GALL Report.

Both the SRP-LR and the GALL Report were initially issued in 2001 and the last revision, Revision 2, was issued in 2011. Subsequent changes to both the SRP-LR and the GALL Report have been implemented through the License Renewal Interim Staff Guidance (LR-ISG) process, wherein incremental changes are made to these documents. A total of 10 LR-ISGs have been issued for Revision 2 of these documents, as listed on the NRC website.

It should be noted that further full revisions of the SRP-LR and the GALL Report, e.g., Revision 3, will not be issued because of the limited number of plants that would use these reports.

A more detailed description of the license renewal process is provided in TECDOC-1736 [6].

#### **4. Assuring Plant Safety from 40 to 60 Years - Subsequent License Renewal**

With the maturity of license renewal, utilities have expressed an interest in renewing their licenses for an additional 20 years. This is called "subsequent license renewal," or SLR, consistent with the terminology of 10 CFR 54.31(d). The Commission has stated that the license renewal rule has provided an effective basis for ensuring safe operation during the license renewal period and will continue to be an effective basis for SLR. Thus the process for SLR is the same as that for license renewal. Consistent with the license renewal rule, the focus

of SLR is on the adequacy of additional aging management activities to ensure safe plant operation during the subsequent period of extended operation.

To support SLR, the NRC has developed guidance documents analogous to those for license renewal, although they specifically address operating conditions to 80 years. The “Generic Aging Lessons Learned for Subsequent License Renewal (GALL-SLR) Report” (NUREG-2191) [7] provides acceptable methods to manage aging effects for 80 years of plant operation. The “Standard Review Plan for Review of Subsequent License Renewal Applications for Nuclear Power Plants” (SRP-SLR) (NUREG-2192) [8] provides guidance to NRC staff reviewers to perform safety reviews of SLR applications.

Revisions of the license renewal guidance documents have focused on operating experience, specifically the lessons learned and findings from these events. Because plants have operated for less than 50 years, other information beyond an exclusive reliance on operating experience was used to identify and address the aging concerns for the operating period up to 80 years.

In 2014, the NRC Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, in collaboration with the U.S. Department of Energy, published the five volume “Expanded Materials Degradation Assessment,” known as the EMDA [9]. This study covered 80 years of operation and systems, structures, and components, including core internals, piping systems, the reactor pressure vessel (RPV), electrical cables, and concrete and civil structures. The EMDA used the phenomena identification and ranking table, the PIRT approach, wherein an expert panel is convened to rank potential degradation scenarios according to their judgment of susceptibility and current state of knowledge.

At the invitation of Constellation Energy and Duke Energy, NRC staff conducted “AMP Effectiveness Audits” at three plants that were operating in their period of extended operation. The purpose of these information collection audits was to understand how their AMPs have been implemented and how effective their AMPs were in identifying aging and unexpected aging phenomena. The findings from these audits were used with information from other sources to inform the AMPs for subsequent license renewal.

The staff also searched international and national operating experience databases for age-related operating experience since the last revision of the license renewal guidance in 2011. In addition, comments from stakeholders were collected during public meetings and a public comment period, as well as comments from the staff.

To develop the SLR guidance document, the NRC created ninety-seven internal expert panels to review and disposition the comments and issues. These panels started with the Revision 2 versions of the GALL Report and the SRP-LR that were developed for license renewal. The panels then reviewed and deliberated on the information provided by the sources identified above. Draft SLR guidance documents (the GALL-SLR Report and the SRP-SLR) were then made available for public comment. Subsequently, the staff held public meetings to provide interested stakeholders information on the disposition of the expert panels and to solicit stakeholder comments. The SRP-SLR and GALL-SLR Report were issued as final documents in July 2017.

## **5. Status of License Renewal and Subsequent License Renewal**

As of the September 2017, licenses have been renewed for a total of 89 nuclear power plant units in the U.S., with 86 units out of a population of 99 units operating with renewed licenses. An additional 7 units have applications under review and 4 units have stated an

intent to apply for license renewal between 2020 and 2022. Forty-seven units will be in the operating period beyond 40 years by the end of 2017.

The U.S. nuclear industry has expressed intent to apply for subsequent license renewal, to enable plant operation to 80 years. These include one application by the end of 2017, and one application each in 2018 and 2019.

## **6. Technical Issues for Subsequent License Renewal**

Based on various workshops, evaluations and public discussion, there has been a consensus that the top four technical issues to provide assurance of safe operation of nuclear power plants for operation from 60 to 80 years are:

- Neutron embrittlement of the reactor pressure vessel
  - Confirm predictive methods using operating experience and
  - Assess embrittlement at higher fluence levels
- Stress corrosion cracking and other types of degradation of reactor pressure vessel internals
  - Evaluate impacts of irradiation assisted stress corrosion cracking, loss of fracture toughness, and void swelling
  - Test materials at higher fluence levels
- Concrete and containment degradation to
  - Evaluate effects of alkali-silica reaction on structural performance of concrete
  - Confirm structural integrity for susceptible plant configurations
- Electrical cable qualification and condition monitoring to
  - Evaluate effects of gamma radiation and thermal exposure in low voltage cables
  - Confirm assessment of medium voltage cable submergence qualification

It is industry's responsibility to develop the technical basis for long-term operation. Lacking resolution of these issues on a generic basis, the first SLR applications will need to address each of these issues on a plant-specific basis as necessary. Once generic resolutions of these topics are identified, the NRC will implement the technical resolutions into the SLR process.

The NRC Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research is collaborating on research activities to address these topics with both domestic industry organizations (i.e., Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI), Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI)) as well as international partners.

## **7. Conclusions**

The NRC's License Renewal Program has successfully evaluated and renewed licenses for more than 80% of the fleet of operating nuclear power plants in the United States. These reviews have focused on ensuring that licensees have adequate aging management in place to ensure safe plant operation during the period of extended operation to 60 years. The limited focus review of license renewal is supported by many other activities in the NRC's on-going regulatory process, including some essential elements identified previously.

With the development of guidance documents for subsequent license renewal, the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission is positioned to review SLR applications, subject to plant-specific consideration of certain technical issues. In conjunctions with the on-going regulatory process, this will ensure safe plant during the subsequent period of extended operation, out to a possible 80 years of operating time.

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**Subject:** RE: Harvesting One Pager

Hi Steve,

That sounds good to me. I also would have no problem with Aloysius taking over GSI-191 as well. It matches his background in CSGB well. At this point, it has mostly been supporting NRR as requested on reviewing submittals with the support of our chemical effects expert.

I am [REDACTED] and my calendar should be up to date for next week.

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Thanks!  
Matt

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Thanks, Matt.

I implemented your clarifications in the attachment.

I will schedule meeting with Aloysius and you for early next week to discuss this assignment. I am also thinking about reassigning the GSI-191 effort to him. Any thoughts on this?

Steve

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### Background

- Understanding the causes and control of degradation mechanisms forms the basis for developing aging management programs (AMPs) to ensure the functionality and safety margins of NPP systems, structures, and components (SSC). The resolution to these issues should provide reasonable assurance of safe operation of the components in the scope of license renewal during the subsequent period of extended operation.
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- This project is to develop a strategic approach to ex-plant harvesting and was originally conceived and initiated through the NRC's Long-Term Research Program (LTRP).

### Facts

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- An internal NRC working group consisting of staff from RES and NRR was formed to advise the strategic harvesting effort.
- NRR/DLR staff and management have expressed strong support and interest in this project and intend to develop a user need request (UNR) to support this effort in the context of Subsequent License Renewal (SLR).

### Status

- Under Task 1 of the task order, PNNL is currently working on developing examples for dissimilar metal welds and cables of what type of information will be captured and how it will be presented.
- The working group has met once in December and has another meeting scheduled for February to review some information put together by PNNL.

### Next Steps

- By mid-February, PNNL should provide examples for dissimilar metal welds and cables in the information tool. This will allow NRC (likely through the working group) to review what type of information will be captured and how it will be presented.
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**Sent:** Mon, 23 Oct 2017 07:02:32 -0600  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew; Tregoning, Robert  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Poster

All's well . . .

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Thanks matt for closing the loop on this; I didn't think I had the latest version of the paper to send....

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**Sent:** Tue, 26 Sep 2017 11:44:21 -0400  
**To:** Moyer, Carol  
**Cc:** Hull, Amy;Hiser, Matthew  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting poster abstract

Thanks, Carol.

The proposal for the poster looks good. I will pass it along to the TA.

Steve

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**From:** Moyer, Carol  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 26, 2017 7:52 AM  
**To:** Frankl, Istvan <Istvan.Frankl@nrc.gov>  
**Cc:** Hull, Amy <Amy.Hull@nrc.gov>; Hiser, Matthew <Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** Harvesting poster abstract

Steve,

The attached abstract is for a RIC poster on harvesting. Please edit it, if necessary.

I am planning to go to the Standards Forum this morning, so if this needs changes, please feel free to make them.

At the Standards Forum, I will mention that we are starting to look at standards for AM, including having participated in an ANSI collaborative program kick-off. I will not specifically "plug" the public meeting that we are planning for this fall, since we do not have full management buy-in on that just yet.

Carol



**From:** Hiser, Allen  
**Sent:** Mon, 23 Oct 2017 13:28:14 -0600  
**To:** Tregoning, Robert;Hiser, Matthew  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Poster

Yep, I knew most of the "facts", but I was not going to share that in a later discussion with an IAEA staffer from Japan!

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Thanks for feedback Allen and once again for covering the presentation for us.

Just FYI, we did consider the Japanese effort a few years ago but the driver behind that program was basically the Japanese industry and government looking to get funding out of a decommissioning plant without considering whether the materials in the plant had any real worth w.r.t. outstanding technical issues. Also, cloaking this effort as an IAEA-CRP, at least in the US, was viewed negatively because it didn't appear that IAEA was adding any substantive value and would only add to the cost of such an effort. The outcome of that "effort" was to make it clear that the Japanese should pursue any harvesting partners directly, outside of IAEA. Not surprisingly, nothing else came of the activity when it became apparent that countries were not going to line up to hand out money for something so ill-defined. In fact, it was, in part, the abject failure of this particle effort that made it apparent that we needed a better strategy related to harvesting and not what we've done in the past which is to just grab stuff from plants that present themselves as "opportunity targets". Note that my bias and cynicism has been added to the summary of this effort.

Cheers,

Rob

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Allen

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**Subject:** RE: harvesting presentation for NRC/NRA meeting

Yeah, I just looked back – there was no second sub-bullet there on the first version of what we sent you. Somehow I managed to add that second sub-bullet when I was adding the slide on the workshop... I don't think there was any burning point there I was trying to add

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**From:** Tregoning, Robert  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 05, 2018 1:53 PM  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew <Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov>; Purtscher, Patrick <Patrick.Purtscher@nrc.gov>; Audrain, Margaret <Margaret.Audrain@nrc.gov>  
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I might add something there but just wanted to see if there was a burning point that you guys were meaning to make....

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Matt

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You could consider replacing "Developing" with " Proposing new protocol for harvesting"?

Pat

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Guys:

Slide 6, 2<sup>nd</sup> sub-bullet of first bullet just says "Developing". What point did you want to articulate here?

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Rob

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Wed, 5 Sep 2018 18:53:03 +0000  
**To:** Sircar, Madhumita  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Prioritization Follow-up

Sure 😊

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**From:** Sircar, Madhumita  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 05, 2018 2:53 PM  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew <Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Prioritization Follow-up

Matt,  
Can we move this meeting to Monday, Sep 10<sup>th</sup>?  
Thanks,  
*Mita*

-----Original Appointment-----

**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 21, 2018 10:14 AM  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew; Sircar, Madhumita  
**Subject:** Harvesting Prioritization Follow-up  
**When:** Thursday, September 06, 2018 11:00 AM-11:30 AM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).  
**Where:** HQ-TWFFN-10A73-8p

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Fri, 14 Sep 2018 18:09:23 +0000  
**To:** Kirk, Mark  
**Cc:** Gordon, Matthew;Tregoning, Robert;Raynaud, Patrick  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting prioritization for RPV  
**Attachments:** Copy of Harvesting Needs Prioritization 8-31-18 rlt.xlsx, Harvesting Needs Prioritization 8-31-18 [+MTK].xlsx

Hi Mark,

Thank you for taking a look at this prioritization and providing your input. I took a look at this for the sake of consistency with how we've done the ranking in other areas (not that it will ever be perfect, but just a high-level look). I had a couple comments / questions that stood out to me:

1. For the "regulatory considerations" field, you didn't put a ranking and indicated RPV embrittlement isn't (and realistically can't be) inspected for. For that field, we're thinking about the context for regulating the relevant component. In many instances, it is inspections. (For example, if there is no good way to inspect a component, we'd probably rate it high for harvesting since we need to have high confidence in how it will behave if we can't inspect for flaws.) However, for the RPV, although it isn't directly inspected, the use of surveillance specimens is a critical aging management activity that provides confidence in the material performance during extended operations. That, along with specific considerations for 80 years (how well will surveillance specimens be able to address higher fluences?), would be what I would focus on for that criteria. In my mind, that's probably driving you to a M or ML given the surveillance specimens, but that's from a non-RPV expert perspective.
2. For the second row on comparing Charpy to direct measurement approaches, you've got a MH for the importance of harvested materials over lab aging. Do you really have to have harvested materials in order to compare the Charpy and direct measurement approaches? That seems to me like something that doesn't really have to be done with harvested materials, but could be accomplished through a test reactor irradiation as well. But maybe there's a good reason it would need to be from real ex-plant materials.

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I also received some input from Rob, which I wanted to share with this group for consideration and consolidation with Mark's input. I know Rob and Patrick are [REDACTED] so this might take a little while to get everyone's thoughts incorporated, but appreciate your efforts to give us your input. Hopefully with everyone back the week after next we can finalize this for RES.

Thanks!

Matt

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RPV - High fluence & high shift vessel with well-established unirradiated properties	Measure fluence, toughness, & chemistry as a function of through-thickness position	Through thickness section to validate fluence & attenuation models	MH	Score is MH within the belline. Change to H beyond the belline	MH	Again change to H outside of belline	MH		#N/A	embrittlement is not inspected for			MH	Both	Attenuation formula has been used for years. Inside the belline it's accepted and believed conservative, and it is probably true. Greater impact a associated with harvested data outside of belline.	
RPV - Samples from virtually any vessel	Enable measurement of both the Charpy transition curve and master curve transition temperature T0	Provides data supporting evolution from the use of correlative (Charpy-based) to direct measurement (fracture toughness-based) approaches	MH		MH		H		#N/A	embrittlement is not inspected for			MH		Very limited ex-plant data exists worldwide (perhaps 6 plants) to compare to surveillance data. Those data do not exist and compare reasonably well, &/or have explainable reasons for disagreement. We have little physical reason to expect differences between ex-plant (harvested) data and surveillance data ... but (as noted) we have not checked in that many cases.	



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High fluence reactor internals	Void swelling, mechanical properties, IASCC	Likely extent of void swelling in PWRs during extended operation and impact on cracking	M	Fills data gap for extended plant operation	MH	Laboratory replication very difficult to impossible to achieve fluences with representative irradiation conditions	MH	Applicable to high-fluence components in most PWRs	MH	EPRI performing R&D on NDE for void swelling; MRP-227 uses primarily visual testing, which could detect void swelling once fairly significant	3.75	Significance of void swelling at higher fluences is uncertain, and inspections may detect onset of significant degradation	VH	Very high cost for highly irradiated internals
Thermally aged unirradiated CASS	Fracture toughness and microstructure	Fracture toughness data in real conditions to compare to accelerated aging data	MH	Validate accelerated aging data	H	Purpose of work would be to provide real-world validation of accelerated aging in lab testing	M	Most applicable to a subset of PWRs	H	No ISI method available to measure loss of FT	4.25	Would greatly increase confidence in large set of accelerated aging data with testing of unirradiated materials	M	Moderate cost for contaminated, but not irradiated, primary stem components
Moderate fluence (1-2 dpa) CASS	Fracture toughness and microstructure	Fracture toughness data near limit requiring further evaluation	ML	Confirm regulatory position	MH	May be possible, but difficult to replicate long-term aging and irradiation effects	M	Most applicable to a subset of PWRs	H	No ISI method available to measure loss of FT	3.5	Would increase confidence in regulatory position	H	High cost for irradiated components
Metallic components with known flaws	NDE and destructive examination	Determine whether SCC mitigation methods are effective at preventing SCC; effectiveness of NDE at detection and sizing	MH	Validate NDE and mitigation method effectiveness	MH	Purpose of work would be to provide real-world validation of lab testing	H	Applicable to all plants	ML	Purpose of this work is to assess inspection and mitigation method effectiveness	3.75	Increase confidence in NDE and mitigation methods	M	Moderate cost for contaminated, but not irradiated, primary stem components
Metallic components with limiting fatigue life	NDE and destructive examination	Determine whether fatigue flaws are present in high usage locations	MH	Validate fatigue life methodologies	ML	Purpose of work would be to provide real-world validation of lab testing	H	Applicable to all plants	ML	Fatigue calculations inform sampling inspections of limiting fatigue locations	3.25	Increase confidence in fatigue life calculations	M	Moderate cost for contaminated, but not irradiated, primary stem components

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Fri, 14 Sep 2018 12:08:29 +0000  
**To:** Miller, Kenneth A  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Prioritization Status

Hi Kenn,

I just wanted to check back in on this harvesting prioritization table and see how it's going. I'll be out much of next week for a trip to ORNL, but may try to schedule a meeting with you the following week if that would be helpful.

Thanks!  
Matt

PS No pressure, but Mita did get me the concrete input yesterday ;)

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**From:** Miller, Kenneth A  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 04, 2018 7:56 AM  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew <Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Prioritization Status

Thanks for the reply Matt. I (b)(6)

I can call in Friday for sure...calendar is open (9a-2p).

Thanks for your understanding.

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**To:** Miller, Kenneth A <[KennethA.Miller@nrc.gov](mailto:KennethA.Miller@nrc.gov)>  
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Sounds good Kenn! Have a good trip to Philly! If it's alright, I'll throw a scheduler for you and Mita for next week...

Thanks!  
Matt

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-----Original Appointment-----

**From:** Miller, Kenneth A

**Sent:** Tuesday, September 04, 2018 7:34 AM

**To:** Hiser, Matthew

**Subject:** Declined: Harvesting Prioritization Status

**When:** Tuesday, September 04, 2018 9:00 AM-9:30 AM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

**Where:** HQ-TWFN-10A73-8p

Hi Matt,

I have a full plate today. I don't have anything to report.

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Can I bow out of this meeting today? I will email you an update next Monday evening if that is ok.

Thanks,

Kenn Miller



**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Tue, 4 Sep 2018 12:11:55 +0000  
**To:** Miller, Kenneth A  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Prioritization Status

Looking at my calendar now, we can play it by ear. I'll try to check in via email probably, because I'll be [REDACTED] and then on travel most of the following week...

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Wed, 22 Nov 2017 12:21:23 +0000  
**To:** Purtscher, Patrick  
**Subject:** RE: harvesting report

Hi Pat,

Sorry for the very delayed response, but I took a look at the harvesting report and don't have any major concerns. I think it's ready to go to Steve...

Thanks!  
Matt

-----Original Message-----

From: Purtscher, Patrick  
Sent: Tuesday, October 31, 2017 1:52 PM  
To: Hiser, Matthew <Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov>; Audrain, Margaret <Margaret.Audrain@nrc.gov>; Hull, Amy <Amy.Hull@nrc.gov>; Tregoning, Robert <Robert.Tregoning@nrc.gov>  
Subject: harvesting report

Draft from Pradeep on harvesting.

Pat

-----Original Message-----

From: Purtscher, Patrick  
Sent: Tuesday, October 31, 2017 1:49 PM  
To: 'Ramuhalli, Pradeep' <Pradeep.Ramuhalli@pnnl.gov>  
Subject: RE: You have files ready for pickup

Thanks, I got the file.

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Pat

-----Original Message-----

From: Ramuhalli, Pradeep [<mailto:collaboration@pnnl.gov>]  
Sent: Tuesday, October 31, 2017 10:41 AM  
To: Purtscher, Patrick <Patrick.Purtscher@nrc.gov>  
Subject: [External\_Sender] You have files ready for pickup

Hello,

Ramuhalli, Pradeep (Pradeep.Ramuhalli@pnnl.gov) has sent you the following 1 file(s):

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Comments: Patrick,

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Pradeep

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**From:** Purtscher, Patrick  
**Sent:** Thu, 20 Jul 2017 15:02:28 -0400  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Subject:** RE: harvesting report

No answer, I left a voice message.

Pat

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**From:** Purtscher, Patrick  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 18, 2017 7:08 AM  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew <Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: harvesting report

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**From:** Purtscher, Patrick  
**Sent:** Friday, June 30, 2017 10:13 AM  
**To:** Ramuhalli, Pradeep ([Pradeep.Ramuhalli@pnnl.gov](mailto:Pradeep.Ramuhalli@pnnl.gov)) <[Pradeep.Ramuhalli@pnnl.gov](mailto:Pradeep.Ramuhalli@pnnl.gov)>  
**Subject:** harvesting report

Good morning,

I was just checking to see where you are with finalizing the harvesting report? I know you are almost finished, but I don't want to see this get delayed.

Thanks,

Pat



**From:** Audrain, Margaret  
**Sent:** Wed, 1 Nov 2017 12:13:33 -0400  
**To:** Purtscher, Patrick;Hiser, Matthew;Hull, Amy;Tregoning, Robert  
**Subject:** RE: harvesting report

Pat,

I think it looks good and have no comments.

Meg

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**From:** Audrain, Margaret  
**Sent:** Wed, 30 May 2018 14:10:46 +0000  
**To:** Tregoning, Robert;Purtscher, Patrick;Hiser, Matthew  
**Subject:** RE: harvesting report

Pat,

I'm working on putting together my site visit to PNNL in July. Do you think it'd be easiest to have Steve Bruemmer coordinate with Pradeep on timing/etc? Does Pradeep have the latest version of the spreadsheet to work with in advance of my coming there?

Thanks,

Meg

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**From:** Tregoning, Robert  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 29, 2018 7:38 AM  
**To:** Purtscher, Patrick <Patrick.Purtscher@nrc.gov>; Hiser, Matthew <Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov>; Audrain, Margaret <Margaret.Audrain@nrc.gov>  
**Cc:** Frankl, Istvan <Istvan.Frankl@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: harvesting report

Pat:

Thanks, they have the slides and summary and we indicated during the meeting last week that the final report is largely consistent with that information. They obviously want the final report however because it will provide much more context and detail and also reflect at least some level of NRC review....

Rob

Robert Tregoning  
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**From:** Purtscher, Patrick  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 29, 2018 7:34 AM  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew <[Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov](mailto:Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov)>; Tregoning, Robert <[Robert.Tregoning@nrc.gov](mailto:Robert.Tregoning@nrc.gov)>; Audrain, Margaret <[Margaret.Audrain@nrc.gov](mailto:Margaret.Audrain@nrc.gov)>  
**Cc:** Frankl, Istvan <[Istvan.Frankl@nrc.gov](mailto:Istvan.Frankl@nrc.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: harvesting report

All,

I will contact Pradeep today to see how the revision is coming. In fact, the slides and summary of the workshop (already available to EPRI) would be more valuable to industry than the report itself; these files include slides from Pradeep that reflect the report.

Pat

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew

**Sent:** Thursday, May 24, 2018 12:09 PM

**To:** Tregoning, Robert <[Robert.Tregoning@nrc.gov](mailto:Robert.Tregoning@nrc.gov)>; Audrain, Margaret <[Margaret.Audrain@nrc.gov](mailto:Margaret.Audrain@nrc.gov)>; Purtscher, Patrick <[Patrick.Purtscher@nrc.gov](mailto:Patrick.Purtscher@nrc.gov)>

**Cc:** Frankl, Istvan <[Istvan.Frankl@nrc.gov](mailto:Istvan.Frankl@nrc.gov)>

**Subject:** RE: harvesting report

I agree it would be good to move the publishing of that report ahead expeditiously to help our coordination with EPRI. Last I heard Pat said PNNL was working on addressing NRR's comments – not sure what the timeline was for doing that though.

Thanks!

Matt

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**From:** Tregoning, Robert

**Sent:** Thursday, May 24, 2018 8:37 AM

**To:** Audrain, Margaret <[Margaret.Audrain@nrc.gov](mailto:Margaret.Audrain@nrc.gov)>; Hiser, Matthew <[Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov](mailto:Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov)>; Purtscher, Patrick <[Patrick.Purtscher@nrc.gov](mailto:Patrick.Purtscher@nrc.gov)>

**Cc:** Frankl, Istvan <[Istvan.Frankl@nrc.gov](mailto:Istvan.Frankl@nrc.gov)>

**Subject:** harvesting report

All:

Yesterday, during Steve's presentation, EPRI (Dyle and Demma) expressed interest in getting the PNNL report once it's published. We're also planning to have some discussions with EPRI next week during the NRC/EPRI materials meeting to promote future collaboration on harvesting opportunities. Therefore, I think we should make publishing that report a higher priority and we can possibly use it in part to help frame our discussions with EPRI moving forward.

Thoughts?

Rob

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**From:** Tregoning, Robert  
**Sent:** Wed, 18 Jan 2017 15:02:50 -0500  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew; Purtscher, Patrick  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting service irradiated material from NPPs

Matt:

When we put together our high-priority needs for harvesting, we should have an internal meeting including Mita, Tom Koshy, and Darrell Murdock, at a minimum. They can add items related to concrete, I&C, and electrical. While we don't need to be comprehensive at this point, it would be good to have some examples.....

Cheers,

Rob

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 18, 2017 11:53 AM  
**To:** Sircar, Madhumita <Madhumita.Sircar@nrc.gov>  
**Cc:** Tregoning, Robert <Robert.Tregoning@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting service irradiated material from NPPs

Hi Mita,

Yes, we're planning for March 7 and 8 in 3WFN. I've attached the meeting announcement and a draft agenda.

Thanks!  
Matt

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**From:** Sircar, Madhumita  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 18, 2017 11:51 AM  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew <[Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov](mailto:Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov)>  
**Cc:** Tregoning, Robert <[Robert.Tregoning@nrc.gov](mailto:Robert.Tregoning@nrc.gov)>  
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Matt,

Rob Tregoning suggested me to contact you regarding the meeting on harvesting service irradiated material from NPPs. Is the meeting in March?

**Thanks,**

**Mita Sircar**

Tel: 301-415-1804

**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Wed, 18 Jan 2017 16:52:45 +0000  
**To:** Sircar, Madhumita  
**Cc:** Tregoning, Robert  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting service irradiated material from NPPs  
**Attachments:** Condensed Workshop Agenda.docx, Harvesting Workshop Announcement.docx

Note to requester: Attachments are immediately following.
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## Draft Agenda – March 7-8, 2017 Harvesting Workshop

### **Tuesday, March 7, 2017**

#### **Introduction**

- Overview of workshop purpose and objectives

#### **Session 1: Motivation for Harvesting**

- Solicited presentations from EPRI, DOE, NRC, and international organizations followed by panel discussion

#### **Session 2: Technical data needs best addressed by harvesting**

- Solicited presentations from EPRI, DOE, NRC, and international organizations followed by open discussion

#### **Session 3: Sources of Materials**

- Solicited presentations from EPRI, DOE, NRC, and international organizations followed by open discussion

### **Wednesday, March 8, 2017**

#### **Session 4: Harvesting Experience: Lessons learned and practical aspects**

- Solicited presentations from EPRI, DOE, NRC, U.S. utility, decommissioning companies, and international organizations followed by open discussion

#### **Session 5: Future Harvesting Program Planning**

- Solicited presentations from EPRI, DOE, NRC, and international organizations followed by open and panel discussion

# Ex-Plant Materials Harvesting Workshop

**Location:** NRC Headquarters in Rockville, MD, USA

**Dates:** March 7-8, 2017

## Motivation:

- There are increasing opportunities to harvest the safety-critical components from decommissioning plants, both domestic and international.
- The harvested materials are valuable because they have been exposed to actual in-service plant operating conditions (temperature, irradiation, coolant, etc.), unlike virgin materials tested under simulated conditions in the lab.
- Data from ex-plant materials should help address technical gaps identified for extended operation of nuclear power plants due to highly relevant aging conditions.

## Purpose and Objective:

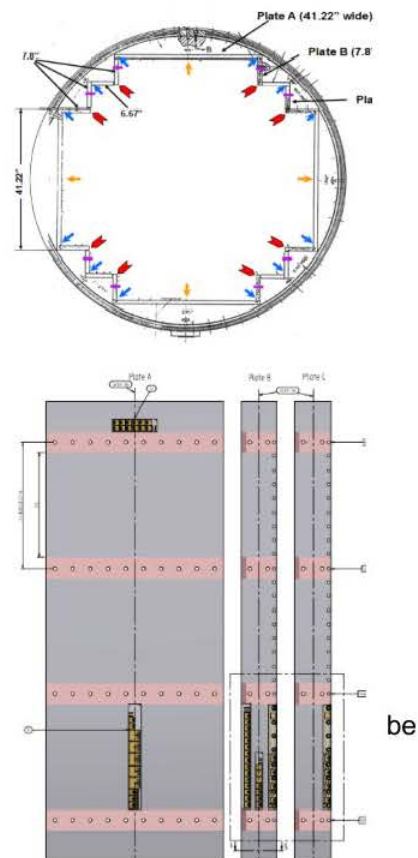
- For NRC staff and interested stakeholders to have greater awareness and knowledge of the benefits and challenges associated with ex-plant harvesting.
- Facilitate contacts and communication to enable specific cooperative ex-plant harvesting programs to be initiated.

## Workshop Topics:

- Harvesting decision-making and prioritization
  - Technical data needs best addressed by harvesting
  - Technical information needed in advance of harvesting
- Sources of materials:
  - Decommissioning reactors
  - Operating reactors – replaced components
  - Previous harvesting programs – “boneyards”
  - Tracking available materials
- Harvesting process
  - Lessons learned from harvesting experience
  - Perspective of utility-owner and decommissioning contractor on harvesting
  - Communication and coordination between decommissioning and researchers
- International collaborative programs on specific components at specific plants

Workshop will consist of solicited presentations followed by discussion periods. If interested in attending or learning more about the workshop, please reach out to the contacts below.

**Contacts:** Robert Tregoning, [Robert.Tregoning@nrc.gov](mailto:Robert.Tregoning@nrc.gov)  
Matthew Hiser, [Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov](mailto:Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov)  
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Note to requester: Attachment immediately following.  
The box with the red X in the first email is an Excel attachment (Excel icon with its file name) that is imbedded into the body of the email.

**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Fri, 3 Aug 2018 15:02:26 +0000  
**To:** Audrain, Margaret; Purtscher, Patrick  
**Cc:** Tregoning, Robert  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Status  
**Attachments:** Harvesting Needs Prioritization 8-3-18.xlsx



Hi guys,

Here is the prioritization table we discussed yesterday. Please take a look and if you have no comments, then I'd suggest we use this for our non-RPV metals input. I'll also be sharing this with the electrical and concrete folks as a template in terms of how to rank / comment...

Thanks!  
Matt

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 01, 2018 10:28 AM  
**To:** Audrain, Margaret <Margaret.Audrain@nrc.gov>; Purtscher, Patrick <Patrick.Purtscher@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Status

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In advance of our meeting tomorrow, I tried to pull together the ranking you guys did a few months ago with the comments I had written previously. I think it'd be good for us to talk through this a little tomorrow and then I can share with the electrical and concrete folks as an example.

Thanks!  
Matt

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Friday, July 27, 2018 2:52 PM  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew; Audrain, Margaret; Purtscher, Patrick  
**Subject:** Harvesting Status  
**When:** Thursday, August 02, 2018 9:00 AM-10:00 AM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).  
**Where:** 10th floor huddle rm



Sorry – I ended up in a briefing with BC and division managers that ran long. Can you guys do Thursday morning?

Topics:

- PNNL Report
- Meg's PNNL Visit / Boneyard
- Matt's upcoming PNNL Visit
- Harvesting "supply" spreadsheets
- Harvesting needs prioritization

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**Sent:** Wed, 1 Aug 2018 14:27:46 +0000  
**To:** Audrain, Margaret; Purtscher, Patrick  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Status  
**Attachments:** Harvesting Needs Prioritization mah 8-1-18.xlsx

Note to requester: Attachment immediately following. The box with the red X in the first email is an Excel attachment (Excel icon with its file name) that is imbedded into the body of the email.



In advance of our meeting tomorrow, I tried to pull together the ranking you guys did a few months ago with the comments I had written previously. I think it'd be good for us to talk through this a little tomorrow and then I can share with the electrical and concrete folks as an example.

Thanks!

Matt

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Friday, July 27, 2018 2:52 PM  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew; Audrain, Margaret; Purtscher, Patrick  
**Subject:** Harvesting Status  
**When:** Thursday, August 02, 2018 9:00 AM-10:00 AM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).  
**Where:** 10th floor huddle rm

Sorry – I ended up in a briefing with BC and division managers that ran long. Can you guys do Thursday morning?

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- Meg's PNNL Visit / Boneyard
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<b>CONCRETE</b>									
Structures exposed to high radiation	Change in properties due to irradiation effects	Loss of strength due to irradiation	Fills data gap for extended plant operation	High		<b>HIGH</b>			
Post-tensioned structures				Medium		<b>LOW</b>			
Corrosion of reinforcing steel, tendon, liner, embedment				Medium		<b>LOW</b>			
Spent fuel pool and transfer canal-boric acid attack on concrete in PWRs				Medium		<b>LOW</b>			
Alkali Aggregate Reaction				Medium		<b>LOW</b>			
Large structural sections for testing	Effects of concrete aging on structural capacity		Validate assumptions of aging effects at larger scales	High		<b>LOW</b>			

**From:** Purtscher, Patrick  
**Sent:** Tue, 12 Sep 2017 09:42:08 -0400  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Subject:** RE: harvesting TLR

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 12, 2017 9:14 AM  
**To:** Purtscher, Patrick <Patrick.Purtscher@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: harvesting TLR

Hi Pat,

Yeah, but I'm in early. I'll swing by your desk around 7 AM on Thursday.

Thanks!  
Matt

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**From:** Purtscher, Patrick  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 12, 2017 8:52 AM  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew <[Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov](mailto:Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov)>  
**Subject:** harvesting TLR

I revised the document to reflect most of Rob's comments, but there are a couple I wanted to talk to you about. Are you in training on Thursday?

Pat



**From:** Litkett, Bernard  
**Sent:** Tue, 20 Sep 2016 12:37:15 -0400  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Update

Hi Matt,

Thanks for the update. Last year's RIC there was a session on SLR and another by RES, then there was a meeting with Dr Reiner Mailander, Research Coordinator at the Swiss Federal Safety Inspectorate ENSI. He wanted to talk about de-commissioning/harvesting one of their BWRs.

I was not thinking the workshop would be a RIC session, the workshop should be separate but adjoining with the RIC to give the people who attend the workshop an opportunity to attend RIC session.

Also to prevent a person who wanted to attend the workshop and the RIC from traveling twice if the workshop and the RIC were held in different weeks.

I am not sure who would be the best person to contact at a plant that will be decommissioning. My experience when a plant needs to be contacted, the PM in DORL for that plant is contacted first.

Bernie

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 20, 2016 11:15 AM  
**To:** Litkett, Bernard <Bernard.Litkett@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Update

Thanks Bernie!

We discussed the workshop a little more after you had to leave I think. We are not envisioning a whole RIC session for the workshop, but rather a single presentation in either a materials or SLR session. The workshop itself would be officially separate from the RIC, although we are hoping to have it adjoining the RIC to maximize participation.

For the decommissioning schedule, I have reached out to the decommissioning BC in NMSS. He said most plants are going into SAFSTOR, but he didn't much information himself, so it will be a matter of reaching out to plants individually to get any real solid information.

Thanks!

Matt

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**From:** Litkett, Bernard

**Sent:** Monday, September 19, 2016 3:55 PM

**To:** Hiser, Matthew <[Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov](mailto:Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov)>; Collins, Jay <[Jay.Collins@nrc.gov](mailto:Jay.Collins@nrc.gov)>; Cumblidge, Stephen <[Stephen.Cumblidge@nrc.gov](mailto:Stephen.Cumblidge@nrc.gov)>; Tregoning, Robert <[Robert.Tregoning@nrc.gov](mailto:Robert.Tregoning@nrc.gov)>; Frankl, Istvan <[Istvan.Frankl@nrc.gov](mailto:Istvan.Frankl@nrc.gov)>; Purtscher, Patrick <[Patrick.Purtscher@nrc.gov](mailto:Patrick.Purtscher@nrc.gov)>; Poehler, Jeffrey <[Jeffrey.Poehler@nrc.gov](mailto:Jeffrey.Poehler@nrc.gov)>; Oberson, Greg <[Greg.Oberson@nrc.gov](mailto:Greg.Oberson@nrc.gov)>; Hardies, Robert <[Robert.Hardies@nrc.gov](mailto:Robert.Hardies@nrc.gov)>; Karwoski, Kenneth <[Kenneth.Karwoski@nrc.gov](mailto:Kenneth.Karwoski@nrc.gov)>

**Cc:** Rudland, David <[David.Rudland@nrc.gov](mailto:David.Rudland@nrc.gov)>

**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Update

Hi Matt,

I was not present for the full meeting but I did hear some very good ideas.

1. For international participation, I suggest March 16-17 Thursday/Friday of the RIC. Would there be a RIC session on Harvesting?
2. Since the number of participants are unknown for now, I would reserve a large conference room.
3. I think making an inventory/list of harvesting items wanted and assigning an importance value to each item in order to make a specific list. Also consider NDE or harvesting.
4. Get the de-commissioning schedule. I don't know the point of contact for this Branch Chief. However, I thought the licensee's were required to keep records for a 10 year period and not destroy the records.

Bernie

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**From:** Oberson, Greg  
**Sent:** Mon, 19 Sep 2016 17:04:01 -0400  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Update

Matt,

I would explore the possibility of getting material for DOE complex of decommissioning facilities, as well as research/test reactors. Years ago I traveled to Savannah River for a workshop organized by Bob Sindelar and Andy Duncan to discuss getting concrete from some of the old weapons production buildings. I'm sure there are many other such things out there, though relevance to LWR is likely to be hit or miss. So I'd contact Bob or try to find someone at the DOE Environmental Management office who should be local to DC and maybe at RIC anyway, unfortunately I don't have a name. I mentioned to you previously that Al Ahluwalia knows some utility in South Korea that was interested in sharing materials. You may contact him about who or what that involves. Finally, I assume you have the Zion contacts, like Tom Rosseel at ORNL who managed that activity. If you want other ideas, please let me know.

Greg

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**Sent:** Mon, 19 Sep 2016 16:15:39 -0400  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Update

Thanks Matt – let me know if you need any help getting plant contacts.

Jeff

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**Sent:** Thu, 30 Aug 2018 20:26:11 +0000  
**To:** Tregoning, Robert; Audrain, Margaret; Purtscher, Patrick  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Update

Summary of today's meeting:

- Need to meet with NRR on alignment in late September before DD meeting in early October
- Have a larger follow-on meeting in October to harvesting deliverables

Actions

- PNNL Report:
  - o Pat and Matt working to finalize with PNNL
- Prioritization:
  - o Matt to email RPV staff (Rob, Mark, Matt G.) for input on prioritization
  - o Matt to follow-up with electrical and concrete staff
- Inventory:
  - o Pat and Matt to reach out to ANL and Battelle for input on reports tied to specific materials
  - o Meg to harmonize lab inventories of previously harvested materials
  - o Matt to look into LRAs and UFSAR for info on materials for harvesting from shutdown plants

Thanks!  
Matt

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 15, 2018 4:28 PM  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew; Tregoning, Robert; Audrain, Margaret; Purtscher, Patrick  
**Subject:** Harvesting Update  
**When:** Thursday, August 30, 2018 9:00 AM-10:00 AM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).  
**Where:** HQ-TWFN-10A73-8p

Align on status of:

- PNNL report
- Harvesting needs prioritization
- Inventory: boneyard and decommissioning plants

**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Fri, 21 Jul 2017 12:18:21 +0000  
**To:** Purtscher, Patrick  
**Subject:** RE: harvesting update

Without confirming receipt?  (b)(6)

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**From:** Purtscher, Patrick  
**Sent:** Friday, July 21, 2017 6:08 AM  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Subject:** harvesting update

**B. Progress During the Reporting Period**

During the June 2017 reporting period, brief discussions with NRC-RES personnel indicated that the submitted report had not been received (possible email problems). The revised TLR was re-sent.

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Tue, 20 Sep 2016 19:12:54 +0000  
**To:** Hardies, Robert  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Update

Thanks Bob! I know this has been mentioned to Robin Dyle at a couple times, so if nothing else I can start there...

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**From:** Hardies, Robert  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 20, 2016 1:29 PM  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew <Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Update

As far as topics, add a discussion of establishing and international project.

Invite EPRI, MAI, public, DOE, FANC, ASN, Japan, and maybe some national labs, plus affected and interested utilities.

Contacts for decommissioning plants:

Dominion (Kewaunee) Chuck Tomes  
[charles.a.tomes@dom.com](mailto:charles.a.tomes@dom.com)

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I will try to get you an EPRI contact.

Robert Hardies  
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**From:** Hiser, Matthew

**Sent:** Monday, September 19, 2016 3:29 PM

**To:** Collins, Jay <[Jay.Collins@nrc.gov](mailto:Jay.Collins@nrc.gov)>; Cumblidge, Stephen <[Stephen.Cumblidge@nrc.gov](mailto:Stephen.Cumblidge@nrc.gov)>; Tregoning, Robert <[Robert.Tregoning@nrc.gov](mailto:Robert.Tregoning@nrc.gov)>; Frankl, Istvan <[Istvan.Frankl@nrc.gov](mailto:Istvan.Frankl@nrc.gov)>; Purtscher, Patrick <[Patrick.Purtscher@nrc.gov](mailto:Patrick.Purtscher@nrc.gov)>; Litkett, Bernard <[Bernard.Litkett@nrc.gov](mailto:Bernard.Litkett@nrc.gov)>; Poehler, Jeffrey <[Jeffrey.Poehler@nrc.gov](mailto:Jeffrey.Poehler@nrc.gov)>; Oberson, Greg <[Greg.Oberson@nrc.gov](mailto:Greg.Oberson@nrc.gov)>; Hardies, Robert <[Robert.Hardies@nrc.gov](mailto:Robert.Hardies@nrc.gov)>; Karwoski, Kenneth <[Kenneth.Karwoski@nrc.gov](mailto:Kenneth.Karwoski@nrc.gov)>

**Cc:** Rudland, David <[David.Rudland@nrc.gov](mailto:David.Rudland@nrc.gov)>

**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Update

Thanks everyone for attending the meeting this morning. I think it was a good discussion of how we can best utilize the harvesting opportunities and hopefully brought people up to speed on the activities we have ongoing.

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1. The workshop - 1 page "plan" attached to meeting notice. Any thoughts on topics, participants, location, dates, etc. are appreciated.
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**From:**

**Sent:** Thursday, September 01, 2016 4:08 PM

**To:** Hiser, Matthew; Collins, Jay; Cumblidge, Stephen; Tregoning, Robert; Frankl, Istvan; Purtscher, Patrick; Litkett, Bernard; Poehler, Jeffrey; Oberson, Greg; Hardies, Robert; Karwoski, Kenneth

**Cc:** Rudland, David



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**Where:** HQ-OWFN-09B02-12p

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- Public workshop in March 2017
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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Tue, 20 Sep 2016 12:01:50 +0000  
**To:** Karwoski, Kenneth  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Update

Thanks Ken!

I totally agree that regulatory use always needs to be at the front of our mind when committing NRC resources (time, money) to any of these activities.

Matt

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**From:** Karwoski, Kenneth  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 20, 2016 5:33 AM  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew <Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Update

Matt,

Although this may not be needed for the workshop, we (NRC) should always be able to articulate what the regulatory use of the results will be. If there is no use (updating a regulatory guide, approving a topical report,.....) or the results will not allow us to make a regulatory decision, we should question whether we should be involved.

Ken

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**From:** Audrain, Margaret  
**Sent:** Fri, 14 Sep 2018 18:43:05 +0000  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Update

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Hahaha, nope. I had set myself a reminder to do it [REDACTED]

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Friday, September 14, 2018 2:42 PM  
**To:** Audrain, Margaret <Margaret.Audrain@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Update

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Sounds good! Just wanted to make sure it hadn't fallen off your list [REDACTED]

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**From:** Audrain, Margaret  
**Sent:** Friday, September 14, 2018 2:39 PM  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew <[Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov](mailto:Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov)>; Purtscher, Patrick <[Patrick.Purtscher@nrc.gov](mailto:Patrick.Purtscher@nrc.gov)>  
**Cc:** Tregoning, Robert <[Robert.Tregoning@nrc.gov](mailto:Robert.Tregoning@nrc.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Update

Yes, I'm working on it. I've been having a lot of computer problems this week and it's going slower than I'd like since my computer freezes randomly and closes the document...

Meg

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Friday, September 14, 2018 2:36 PM  
**To:** Purtscher, Patrick <[Patrick.Purtscher@nrc.gov](mailto:Patrick.Purtscher@nrc.gov)>; Audrain, Margaret <[Margaret.Audrain@nrc.gov](mailto:Margaret.Audrain@nrc.gov)>  
**Cc:** Tregoning, Robert <[Robert.Tregoning@nrc.gov](mailto:Robert.Tregoning@nrc.gov)>  
**Subject:** Harvesting Update

Hi Meg and Pat,

I just wanted to share with you guys the progress on the harvesting prioritization spreadsheet (attached). I've gotten good input for concrete and have a couple versions (one from Rob and one from Mark Kirk) for RPV. I'm still waiting on electrical input from Kenn Miller. I also added higher fluence SS welds on the "Metals" tab of the spreadsheet.

Feel free to take a look for consistency checks. Hopefully, we'll have electrical/RPV nailed down in the next couple weeks.

Also, Meg, were you going to compile/harmonize the inputs from ANL, PNNL, and Battelle?

Thanks!  
Matt



**From:** Kirk, Mark  
**Sent:** Thu, 2 Feb 2017 12:16:24 -0500  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop

Thanks – I'd appreciate it if my name could be added.

I know **these guys** really well

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 02, 2017 11:12 AM  
**To:** Kirk, Mark <Mark.Kirk@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop

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**From:** Kirk, Mark

**Sent:** Thursday, February 02, 2017 11:08 AM

**To:** Hiser, Matthew <[Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov](mailto:Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov)>

**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop

Thanks Matt

Would it be possible to also share your list of attendees?

Best

mark

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew

**Sent:** Thursday, February 02, 2017 10:30 AM

**To:** Kirk, Mark <[Mark.Kirk@nrc.gov](mailto:Mark.Kirk@nrc.gov)>

**Subject:** Harvesting Workshop

Hi Mark,

The workshop is on March 7-8 in 3WFN 1C3. I've attached a few documents describing the workshop.



Thanks!  
Matt

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**From:** Hull, Amy  
**Sent:** Wed, 8 Mar 2017 07:56:00 -0500  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew; Moyer, Carol  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop

Thank you. I will be there this afternoon.

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 08, 2017 7:55 AM  
**To:** Hull, Amy <Amy.Hull@nrc.gov>; Moyer, Carol <Carol.Moyer@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** Harvesting Workshop

Feel free to come over for the workshop today. A few folks will not be here today, so there should be space.

**From:** Poehler, Jeffrey  
**Sent:** Mon, 27 Feb 2017 13:34:54 -0500  
**To:** Cheruvenki, Ganesh;Hiser, Matthew  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop

I guess it will be me-

Jeff

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**From:** Cheruvenki, Ganesh  
**Sent:** Monday, February 27, 2017 12:22 PM  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew <Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov>; Poehler, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Poehler@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop

Matt,

I would recommend that Jeff should attend.

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Monday, February 27, 2017 11:55 AM  
**To:** Poehler, Jeffrey <[Jeffrey.Poehler@nrc.gov](mailto:Jeffrey.Poehler@nrc.gov)>; Cheruvenki, Ganesh <[Ganesh.Cheruvenki@nrc.gov](mailto:Ganesh.Cheruvenki@nrc.gov)>  
**Subject:** Harvesting Workshop

Hi Jeff and Ganesh,

Just checking if you have nailed down who will be attending the harvesting workshop next week.

Thanks!  
Matt

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**From:** Poehler, Jeffrey  
**Sent:** Tue, 28 Feb 2017 08:30:34 -0500  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop

Matt, can you send me the scheduler?

Thanks,

Jeff

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Monday, February 27, 2017 11:55 AM  
**To:** Poehler, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Poehler@nrc.gov>; Cheruvenki, Ganesh <Ganesh.Cheruvenki@nrc.gov>  
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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Wed, 1 Mar 2017 20:38:40 +0000  
**To:** Hiser, Allen; Yoo, Mark  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop

Sounds good, thanks!

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**From:** Hiser, Allen  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 01, 2017 3:34 PM  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew <Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov>; Yoo, Mark <Mark.Yoo@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop

I will attend and Mark will use the webinar.

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 28, 2017 7:47 AM  
**To:** Yoo, Mark <[Mark.Yoo@nrc.gov](mailto:Mark.Yoo@nrc.gov)>; Hiser, Allen <[Allen.Hiser@nrc.gov](mailto:Allen.Hiser@nrc.gov)>  
**Subject:** Harvesting Workshop

Have you guys decided who will be attending workshop?

Thanks!  
Matt

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**From:** Moyer, Carol  
**Sent:** Wed, 23 Nov 2016 08:32:55 -0500  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop

Thanks, Matt. Happy Thanksgiving to you & yours, too!

Carol

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 23, 2016 8:29 AM  
**To:** Moyer, Carol <Carol.Moyer@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** Harvesting Workshop

Hi Carol,

Here's the announcement we've been using to publicize the workshop.

Please let me know if you'd like more info ☺

Thanks and happy Thanksgiving!  
Matt

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**From:** Salley, MarkHenry  
**Sent:** Fri, 24 Feb 2017 10:12:19 -0600  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew; Koshy, Thomas  
**Cc:** Taylor, Gabriel; Melly, Nicholas; Stroup, David; Gonzalez, Felix; Thaggard, Mark; Cheok, Michael  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop

Matt,

Fantastic ~ My branch could reap great benefits from a harvesting program like this ~ please keep Gabe involved and we will do everything we can to support the effort.

MHS

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 23, 2017 8:36 AM  
**To:** Salley, MarkHenry <MarkHenry.Salley@nrc.gov>; Koshy, Thomas <Thomas.Koshy@nrc.gov>  
**Cc:** Taylor, Gabriel <Gabriel.Taylor@nrc.gov>; Melly, Nicholas <Nicholas.Melly@nrc.gov>; Stroup, David <David.Stroup@nrc.gov>; Gonzalez, Felix <Felix.Gonzalez@nrc.gov>; Thaggard, Mark <Mark.Thaggard@nrc.gov>; Cheok, Michael <Michael.Cheok@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop

Thanks Tom for sharing this with the right folks!

Mark, I actually remember this from when it was presented at an all-hands meeting last year I think. I'll meet with Gabe and Nick and be sure the insights from your experience are captured in our slides.

Thanks!  
Matt

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**From:** Salley, MarkHenry  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 22, 2017 4:34 PM  
**To:** Koshy, Thomas <[Thomas.Koshy@nrc.gov](mailto:Thomas.Koshy@nrc.gov)>; Hiser, Matthew <[Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov](mailto:Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov)>  
**Cc:** Taylor, Gabriel <[Gabriel.Taylor@nrc.gov](mailto:Gabriel.Taylor@nrc.gov)>; Melly, Nicholas <[Nicholas.Melly@nrc.gov](mailto:Nicholas.Melly@nrc.gov)>; Stroup, David <[David.Stroup@nrc.gov](mailto:David.Stroup@nrc.gov)>; Gonzalez, Felix <[Felix.Gonzalez@nrc.gov](mailto:Felix.Gonzalez@nrc.gov)>; Thaggard, Mark <[Mark.Thaggard@nrc.gov](mailto:Mark.Thaggard@nrc.gov)>; Cheok, Michael <[Michael.Cheok@nrc.gov](mailto:Michael.Cheok@nrc.gov)>  
**Subject:** FW: Harvesting Workshop  
**Importance:** High

Tom,

Thanx for bringing this to my attention!!

Matt,

Couple points:

- 1) For your success story, we had a very important one, and that is the Zion Bus duct Gabe Taylor procured a couple years ago from Zion Solutions through Oak Ridge Nat. Labs. Testing the duct in our International High Energy Arc Fault (HEAF) program illustrated the problems with Aluminum HEAFs and is now going through the Generic Issues program. Please see Nick Melly and he can show you the test video.
- 2) There is a large number of items we could use for further testing, namely, any Electrical component (Bus duct, switchgear, etc.) containing aluminum or aluminum clad components. Switchgear and other assorted electrical enclosures for HRR testing. Installed electrical cables protected with fire retardant coating.

Gabe, could you please take the lead for our branch and contact Matt to discuss?

Please let me know if you require any additional information from me.

Thanx

MHS

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**From:** Koshy, Thomas

**Sent:** Wednesday, February 22, 2017 2:28 PM

**To:** Salley, MarkHenry <[MarkHenry.Salley@nrc.gov](mailto:MarkHenry.Salley@nrc.gov)>

**Subject:** FW: Harvesting Workshop

Get into the process



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**USNRC**

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 22, 2017 8:36 AM  
**To:** Sircar, Madhumita <[Madhumita.Sircar@nrc.gov](mailto:Madhumita.Sircar@nrc.gov)>; Koshy, Thomas <[Thomas.Koshy@nrc.gov](mailto:Thomas.Koshy@nrc.gov)>  
**Subject:** Harvesting Workshop

Hi Mita and Tom,

Just to follow up from our discussions yesterday, I've attached the slides for the 3 presentations in Sessions 2-4 of the workshop. The slides are fairly brief and intended to quickly lay out our ideas and input, but leave plenty of time for discussion.

For data needs and sources of materials, please fill in any additional input you have for electrical or concrete topics. For harvesting experience and lessons learned, please take a look and add any additional insights you think we should include in our presentation.

I've also copied below the expectations we have provided to participants for each session for your reference and awareness:

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Thanks!  
Matt

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**From:** Purtscher, Patrick  
**Sent:** Fri, 27 Jan 2017 08:53:03 -0500  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew; Tregoning, Robert  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop

I think the slides are good.

Pat

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Friday, January 27, 2017 8:25 AM  
**To:** Tregoning, Robert <Robert.Tregoning@nrc.gov>; Purtscher, Patrick <Patrick.Purtscher@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop

<< File: Harvesting Workshop intro slides 1-23-17.pptx >> << File: Workshop Planning 1-26-17.docx >>

Hi Rob and Pat,

Just a quick reminder to take a look at the intro slides I've put together (updated after our meeting Monday). Once you guys are happy with them, my plan was to share with DOE and EPRI and the speakers as I am in contact with them.

I've also attached the latest version of the planning document. We are in pretty good shape for presenters. I am still tying down loose ends with the PWROG and EPRI/Korea. The other main question marks are MAI/JRC, SCK (depends on MAI/JRC), Japan, and Germany.

Thanks!  
Matt

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Monday, January 23, 2017 12:18 PM  
**To:** Tregoning, Robert <Robert.Tregoning@nrc.gov>; Purtscher, Patrick <Patrick.Purtscher@nrc.gov>  
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Thanks!

Matt

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**From:**

**Sent:** Wednesday, January 18, 2017 9:05 AM

**To:** Hiser, Matthew; Tregoning, Robert; Purtscher, Patrick

**Subject:** Harvesting Workshop

**When:** Monday, January 23, 2017 9:00 AM-10:00 AM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

**Where:** HQ-TWFN-10A73-8p

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**From:** Tregoning, Robert  
**Sent:** Thu, 12 Jan 2017 15:18:37 -0600  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew; Purtscher, Patrick  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop

All:

I sent reminder emails today to JRC, JNRA, and EPRI (Lian). I'll let you know what I hear back.

RT

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 12, 2017 1:44 PM  
**To:** Tregoning, Robert <Robert.Tregoning@nrc.gov>; Purtscher, Patrick <Patrick.Purtscher@nrc.gov>  
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Thanks!

Matt

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**Sent:** Monday, January 09, 2017 10:00 AM

**To:** Hiser, Matthew; Tregoning, Robert; Purtscher, Patrick

**Subject:** Harvesting Workshop

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**Sent:** Tue, 17 Jan 2017 08:25:49 -0500  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew; Purtscher, Patrick  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop

Matt:

I think your message is fine and it doesn't hurt to query CNSC a bit about possible contributions. We should, of course, keep in mind that there will likely be less interest in a CANDU-perspective/opportunities/issues since our focus is LWR components. However, maybe there are other components, like cables or concrete, where there is enough similarities in operating conditions and pedigree.

Rob

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 17, 2017 8:12 AM  
**To:** Tregoning, Robert <Robert.Tregoning@nrc.gov>; Purtscher, Patrick <Patrick.Purtscher@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop

It was a voicemail with a phone number left, so I was planning to call him back later this morning.

My plan was to deliver a similar message as you have to the Japanese: non-public workshop; we are inviting/soliciting presentations; their attendance and participation is welcome, but we are trying to keep it small and focused. Do you think CNSC could present in one of the yellow or red slots below?

Session	Topic	Organization	Speaker	Status
1	Why our organization is interested in harvesting	EPRI		
		DOE		
		NRC	Robert Tregoning	
		MAI or JRC		
		JNRA		
	PANEL DISCUSSION			
2	Overview of data needs best addressed by harvesting	PNNL (for NRC)	Pradeep Ramuhalli	
	Perspective on detailed data needs from harvesting	EPRI		
		DOE		
		MAI or JRC		SCK-CEN?
		JNRA		CRIEPI?
3	Available materials from decommissioning plants and past harvesting programs	NRC	Matt Hiser	
	Available materials from operating reactors and past harvesting programs	EPRI		
	Available materials at DOE labs from past harvesting programs	DOE (ORNL?)		
	International sources of materials	IAEA?		
4	Perspective on Harvesting Lessons Learned / Prior Experience	EPRI		
		DOE		
		NRC		
	Decommissioning process and harvesting: schedule, site-specific, timing for different components	Energy Solutions	Gerry van Noordennen	

	Utility-Owner perspective on harvesting and decommissioning	Dominion?		
	International decommissioning and harvesting experience	Germany?		
5	Technical information needed for informed harvesting decisions	PNNL (for NRC)	Pradeep Ramuhalli	
	Perspective on future harvesting planning	EPRI		
		DOE		
		NRC	Robert Tregoning	
		MAI or JRC		
		JNRA		
	PANEL DISCUSSION			
	Discussion of Next Steps / Actions			

Thanks!  
Matt

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Are you responding to CNSC?

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**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop

Hi Rob,

I think that is an excellent idea. I'll draft up a few slides and share with you two.

Also, I received a message on Friday from someone at CNSC indicating their interest in possibly sending a couple people to the workshop.

Thanks!  
Matt

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**From:** Tregoning, Robert  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 12, 2017 4:22 PM  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew <[Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov](mailto:Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov)>; Purtscher, Patrick <[Patrick.Purtscher@nrc.gov](mailto:Patrick.Purtscher@nrc.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop

Guys:

We haven't explicitly talked about this but I think it would be good to have a 5 – 10 minute talk at the very beginning of the workshop to provide the overall workshop objectives, and discuss the objectives and format/approach of the individual sessions. Maybe it would also be good to put a few slides together now that we can send to participants so that people are as aligned as possible heading into the workshop.

Thoughts about this idea?



Cheers,

Rob

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Wed, 1 Mar 2017 14:25:24 +0000  
**To:** Tregoning, Robert  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop

Hi Rob,

Not a problem – Pat, Steve, and I should be able to cover it.

Thanks!  
Matt

-----Original Appointment-----

**From:** Tregoning, Robert **On Behalf Of** RES\_DE\_Cal Resource  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 01, 2017 8:38 AM  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Subject:** FW: Harvesting Workshop  
**When:** Thursday, March 02, 2017 9:15 AM-9:30 AM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).  
**Where:** T10-E16

Matt:

I just realized that I have a 9:30 meeting tomorrow in OWFN that I can't miss. Therefore, I'll have to miss this briefing tomorrow. It's not a big deal so I would go ahead with it unless you really feel that you want me there for support.

Rob

-----Original Appointment-----

**From:** RES\_DE\_Cal Resource  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 23, 2017 9:20 AM  
**To:** RES\_DE\_Cal Resource; Thomas, Brian; Tregoning, Robert; Frankl, Istvan; Hiser, Matthew; Vera, Graciela  
**Subject:** Harvesting Workshop  
**When:** Thursday, March 02, 2017 9:15 AM-9:30 AM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).  
**Where:** T10-E16

**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 23, 2017 9:09 AM  
**To:** Snail, Malika <[Malika.Snail@nrc.gov](mailto:Malika.Snail@nrc.gov)>  
**Subject:** Quick Brief for Brian Thomas

Hi Malika,

Could you schedule a 15-minute briefing with Brian Thomas on the topic of "Harvesting Workshop" for some time next week?

Attendees should be myself, Rob Tregoning, Steve Frankl, and Brian. It looks like we might all be free on Thursday, March 2 between 9:30 and 10:00.

Thanks!

Matt

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Fri, 3 Feb 2017 17:03:28 +0000  
**To:** Sircar, Madhumita  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop

Hi Mita,

Yeah, you were the only person whose calendar wasn't free, so I went with it hoping you might still make it. I also invited Dogan and Jake Philip in the concrete area, so hopefully you can work with them to provide input for concrete. I can fill you in more after you return from ASME.

Thanks!  
Matt

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**From:** Sircar, Madhumita  
**Sent:** Friday, February 03, 2017 11:16 AM  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew <Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop

Matt,  
I'll be out for ASME meeting from Feb 13-15.

**Thanks,**  
**Mita Sircar**  
Tel: 301-415-1804

-----Original Appointment-----

**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Friday, February 03, 2017 10:54 AM  
**To:** Koshy, Thomas; Sircar, Madhumita; Murdock, Darrell; Jung, Ian; Seber, Dogan; Philip, Jacob; Tregoning, Robert; Purtscher, Patrick  
**Subject:** Harvesting Workshop  
**When:** Tuesday, February 14, 2017 2:00 PM-3:00 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).  
**Where:** HQ-TWFFN-10A73-8p

<< File: Ex-Plant Materials Harvesting Workshop.pptx >> << File: Sources of Materials.pptx >>

You may be aware of a workshop on ex-plant materials harvesting that we are planning at NRC HQ for March 7-8. The scope of this workshop includes metals, cables/electrical, and concrete. The purpose of the workshop and expectations for each session are captured in the PP slides attached above. We are expecting participants from DOE, EPRI, and Europe, Japan, and Canada. The goal is to have generally short presentations with ample time for discussion and interaction among meeting participants.

I am preparing NRC presentations for sessions on data needs for harvesting, sources of materials, and harvesting experience/lessons learned, which can be found below. The data needs and sources of materials presentations should be very short (5-10 min), while the lessons learned/experience talk should be about 20 min. I have drafted slides for these presentations, particularly including input for metals.

The purpose of this meeting is to make you aware of the workshop and solicit input/assistance in developing these slides for electrical/cables and concrete topics.

<< File: NRC Technical Data Needs for Harvesting.pptx >> << File: Harvesting Workshop Announcement.docx >> << File: NRC Perspective on Harvesting Experience and Lessons Learned.pptx >>



Note to requester: Attachments are immediately following. The boxes with the red X in the first email are a Power Point and a Word attachment (Power Point icon with its file name, and a Word icon with its file name) that are both imbedded into the body of the email.

**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
**Sent:** Mon, 23 Jan 2017 17:18:12 +0000  
**To:** Tregoning, Robert; Purtscher, Patrick  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop  
**Attachments:** Harvesting Workshop intro slides 1-23-17.pptx, Workshop Planning 1-23-17.docx



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# Ex-Plant Materials Harvesting Workshop

March 7-8, 2017

USNRC HQ

Rockville, MD, USA

# Motivation

- With plants shutting down both in the U.S. and internationally, there are increasing opportunities to harvest components from decommissioning plants
  - Past harvesting efforts generally more reactive and ad hoc as opportunities arose, rather than proactively planned
- Ex-plant materials are valuable because they have been exposed to actual in-service plant operating conditions
  - Reduces the uncertainty associated with the applicability of the aging conditions
- Insights from research on harvested materials can address technical data needs identified for extended plant operation
- Lessons learned from past harvesting programs can help improve future harvesting efforts
  - Challenges encountered in previous programs can be shared and mitigated or avoided in future programs

# Approach

- Domestic and international researchers, industry, regulators, and decommissioning companies' discuss benefits and challenges with ex-plant harvesting
  - Encourage sharing of lessons learned as well as areas of common interest for potential new research programs
- Workshop consists of topical sessions with short presentations and significant time for open discussion
  - Goal is to maximize engagement among all meeting participants, rather than presenter/audience mentality
- Scope includes any materials aging issue that could benefit from harvesting: metals, cables, and concrete

# Expected Outcome

- Participants are better informed and aware of the benefits and challenges associated with ex-plant harvesting
- Discussions help identify areas of common interest for harvesting to address technical data needs
- Presentations and discussions provide the starting point for a “database” of harvested materials and future harvesting opportunities
- Contacts are made among research organizations to allow for further discussion of specific harvesting projects



# Session Expectations

- Session 1 Motivation for Harvesting
  - Perspective from panel participants on their organizations' interest in and motivation for harvesting
  - Brief (5-10 minute) presentation from each panel member followed by open and panel discussion
- Session 2 Technical Data Needs for Harvesting
  - Presenters share high-priority data needs that are best addressed by harvesting from their organization's perspective
    - Where does harvesting hold particular value compared to other sources of technical data
  - 15-20 minute presentations followed by open discussion of technical data needs for harvesting

# Session Expectations

- Session 3 Sources of Materials
  - Information on previously harvested materials and future harvesting opportunities
    - Materials in “boneyards” at research and vendor facilities
    - Decommissioning plants that may allow for future harvesting
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  - Forward-looking lessons learned from past harvesting programs
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# Session Expectations

- Session 5 Future Harvesting Program Planning
  - Technical and logistical information needed when planning a specific harvesting program
  - Perspective from panel participants on their organizations' future harvesting planning
  - Next steps and actions from workshop
  - Potential areas of common interest for future harvesting programs
  - Brief (5-10 minute) presentation from each panel member followed by open and panel discussion

## Workshop Contacts

Name	Organization	Email	Contact Through
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Chuck Tomes	Dominion	<a href="mailto:charles.a.tomes@dom.com">charles.a.tomes@dom.com</a>	Matt
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		DOE	Rich Reister	
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2	Overview of data needs best addressed by harvesting	PNNL (for NRC)	Pradeep Ramuhalli	
	Perspective on detailed data needs from harvesting	EPRI		
		DOE	Keith Leonard	
		SCK-CEN	CNSC?	Emails exchanged
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3	Available materials from decommissioning plants and past harvesting programs	NRC	Matt Hiser	
	Available materials from operating reactors and past harvesting programs	EPRI		
	Available materials at DOE labs from past harvesting programs	PWROG		Emails exchanged
		DOE	Tom Rosseel	
	Upcoming decommissioning sites	Energy Solutions	Gerry van Noordennen	Contact through Tom R.
	International sources of materials	MAI		Emails exchanged
		JNRA/CRIEPI/JAEA		Emails exchanged
4	Perspective on Harvesting Lessons Learned / Prior Experience	Korea		Need to work w/ Ahluwalia
		EPRI		
		DOE	Tom Rosseel	
	Decommissioning process and harvesting: schedule, site-specific, timing for different components	NRC		
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Hi Rob and Pat,

Please take a look at a few slides I pulled together and we can discuss on Monday.

Thanks!  
Matt

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Guys:

We haven't explicitly talked about this but I think it would be good to have a 5 – 10 minute talk at the very beginning of the workshop to provide the overall workshop objectives, and discuss the objectives and format/approach of the individual sessions. Maybe it would also be good to put a few slides together now that we can send to participants so that people are as aligned as possible heading into the workshop.

Thoughts about this idea?

Cheers,

Rob



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**Where:** HQ-TWFN-10A73-8p

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# Ex-Plant Materials Harvesting Workshop

March 7-8, 2017

USNRC HQ

Rockville, MD, USA

# Motivation

- With plants shutting down both in the U.S. and internationally, there are increasing opportunities to harvest components from decommissioning plants.
- Ex-plant materials are valuable because they have been exposed to actual in-service plant operating conditions unlike virgin materials tested under simulated conditions in the lab
  - Reduces the uncertainty associated with the applicability of the aging conditions
- Insights from research on harvested materials can address technical data needs identified for extended plant operation
- Lessons learned from past harvesting programs can help improve future harvesting efforts

# Approach

- Two-day workshop with interested stakeholders to discuss benefits and challenges associated with ex-plant harvesting.
- Insights from domestic and international researchers, industry, regulators, and decommissioning companies' experience shared
  - Encourage sharing of lessons learned as well as areas of common interest for potential new research programs
- Topical sessions with several short presentations and significant time for open discussion
  - Goal is open discussion and engagement among all meeting participants, rather than presenter/audience mentality

# Expected Outcome

- Participants are better informed and aware of the benefits and challenges associated with ex-plant harvesting
- Discussions help identify areas of common interest for harvesting to address technical data needs
- Presentations and discussions provide the starting point for a “database” of harvested materials and future harvesting opportunities
- Contacts are made among research organizations to allow for further discussion of specific harvesting projects



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Thanks!

Matt

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		DOE		
		NRC	Robert Tregoning	
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	PANEL DISCUSSION			
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		MAI or JRC		SCK-CEN?
		JNRA		CRIEPI?
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	Available materials from operating reactors and past harvesting programs	EPRI		
	Available materials at DOE labs from past harvesting programs	DOE (ORNL?)		
	International sources of materials	IAEA?		
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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
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**To:** Tregoning, Robert  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop

Sounds good – thanks Rob!

I'll work on something and shoot it out here in the next few days...

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**From:** Tregoning, Robert  
**Sent:** Monday, September 12, 2016 8:39 AM  
**To:** Hiser, Matthew <Matthew.Hiser@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** Harvesting Workshop

Matt:

I just heard from a German colleague at GRS (Juergen Sievers) and we discussed the workshop. We need to send him the initial workshop announcement. He can help us get the right decommissioning people from Germany to the workshop. So, it would be good if we could develop and circulate this preliminary announcement within the next week or two.

Cheers,

Rob

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**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop  
**Attachments:** Harvesting Workshop Plan 8-24-16.docx

Hi everyone,

I have revised this plan based on a few comments from Steve. Please take a look and provide any comments by the end of the week if possible.

Thanks!  
Matt

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**Subject:** Harvesting Workshop

Hi everyone,

Following from the meeting yesterday, I wanted to share the attached "initial plan" for the workshop, describing the purpose and objective, approach, and intended outcome, as well as potential dates and discussion topics. Please edit and/or comment freely.

I think this document could be useful for "socializing" this topic to a greater degree in NRR, in advance of a meeting of the internal steering committee on harvesting sometime next month. At that meeting we could hopefully do some significant brainstorming on what this workshop should look like and who to contact for participation.

Thanks!  
Matt

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## Ex-Plant Materials Harvesting Workshop

### **Purpose and Objective:**

- For NRC staff and interested stakeholders to have greater awareness and knowledge of the benefits and challenges associated with ex-plant harvesting.
- Facilitate contacts and communication to enable specific cooperative ex-plant harvesting programs to be initiated, leveraging limited NRC resources to produce highly representative technical data of materials degradation for extended plant operation.

### **Approach:**

- NRC staff host a 2-day workshop with interested stakeholders, including domestic and international utilities and research organizations, to discuss benefits and challenges associated with ex-plant harvesting.
- Format will include sessions with time for presentations and open discussion of different aspects of ex-plant materials harvesting.
- Views and insights from domestic and international regulators, researchers, industry, and decommissioning companies' experience will be encouraged.

### **Intended Outcome:**

- NRC staff and stakeholders are better informed of the benefits and challenges associated with ex-plant harvesting.
- Contacts are made with domestic and international utilities and researchers to allow for further discussion of specific cooperative research projects that may address technical data gaps associated with materials degradation that can be best addressed through ex-plant harvesting.

### **Potential Dates:**

- March 9-10, 2017 – Thursday/Friday before RIC
- March 16-17, 2017 – Thursday/Friday of RIC week
- March 20-21, 2017 – Monday/Tuesday after RIC

### **Discussion Topics:**

- Harvesting decision-making / prioritization
  - Technical data needs best addressed by harvesting
  - Technical information needed in advance of harvesting
- Sources of materials:
  - Decommissioning reactors
  - Operating reactors – replaced or failed components
  - Previous harvesting programs – “boneyards”
  - Tracking available materials
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  - Lessons learned from harvesting experience
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**To:** Tregoning, Robert  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop Agenda Brainstorming  
**Attachments:** NRC Harvesting Workshop Announcement 12-7-16.docx



Hi Rob,

Added some language to the announcement per suggestion from Allen. He suggested addressing whether presentations were open or solicited, as well as when more information on the workshop would be available:

“Workshop will consist of solicited presentations followed by discussion periods. Open attendance and participation in discussion is encouraged. Additional information to be provided by January 13, 2016.”

Any thoughts? Look good to you?

Thanks!

Matt

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Updated workshop announcement as requested with figures.

<< File: NRC Harvesting Workshop Announcement 12-7-16.docx >>

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Just wanted to send a reminder for feedback / input on the workshop agenda.

Thanks!  
Matt

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**From:** Hiser, Matthew  
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**To:** Purtscher, Patrick <Patrick.Purtscher@nrc.gov>; Tregoning, Robert <Robert.Tregoning@nrc.gov>; Poehler, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Poehler@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop Agenda Brainstorming

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Hi Rob, Pat, and Jeff,

Please find attached my updates to the agenda based on our discussion yesterday. It may be somewhat premature, but I went ahead and tried to put times to the agenda, just to see how it might schedule out. Session 5 is probably the main area of uncertainty along with international presenters in general.

Please take a look and provide any comments or feedback by next Wednesday, so we can hopefully finalize this and share with DOE/EPRI very soon.

I also attached the latest version of the workshop announcement, which we plan to use to publicize to other attendees and presenters.

Thanks!

Matt

Original Appointment-----

**From:** Hiser, Matthew

**Sent:** Wednesday, November 02, 2016 2:34 PM

**To:** Hiser, Matthew; Purtscher, Patrick; Tregoning, Robert; Poehler, Jeffrey

**Subject:** Harvesting Workshop Agenda Brainstorming

**When:** Thursday, November 03, 2016 1:00 PM-2:00 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

**Where:** HQ-TWFFN-08C01-10p

Hi Rob, Jeff, Pat,

I've put together an outline of an agenda for this workshop on harvesting that we are planning for March. My first cut at it is attached. I'd like to use this meeting to brainstorm how to structure the workshop and, if possible, who to ask to present and on what topics.

Rob and I were discussing trying to selectively target participants and presentations to cover the topics we'd like, rather than simply asking DOE and EPRI and others for their take on "harvesting." I think if we plan this well, we can get an interesting and substantive discussion. If not, we may just get a rehash of SLR-type talks...

Thanks!

Matt

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# Ex-Plant Materials Harvesting Workshop

**Location:** NRC Headquarters in Rockville, MD, USA

**Dates:** March 7-8, 2017

## Motivation:

- There are increasing opportunities to harvest the safety-critical components from decommissioning plants, both domestic and international.
- The harvested materials are valuable because they have been exposed to actual in-service plant operating conditions (temperature, irradiation, coolant, etc.), unlike virgin materials tested under simulated conditions in the lab.
- Data from ex-plant materials should help address technical gaps identified for extended operation of nuclear power plants due to highly relevant aging conditions.

## Purpose and Objective:

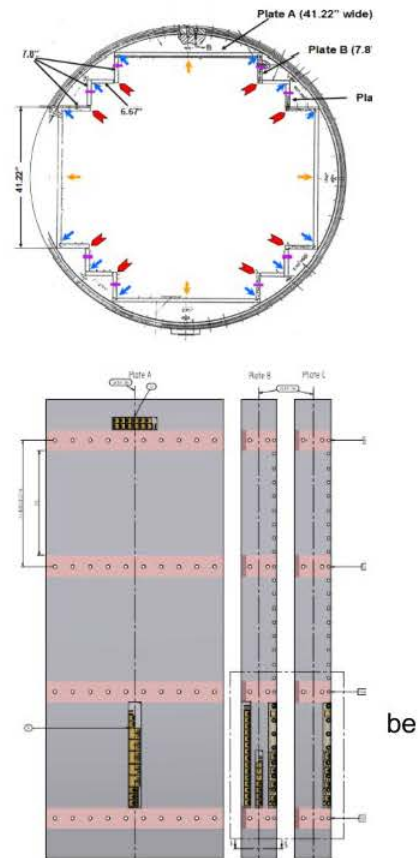
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  - Operating reactors – replaced components
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  - Perspective of utility-owner and decommissioning contractor on harvesting
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- International collaborative programs on specific components at specific plants

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**To:** Hiser, Matthew;Poehler, Jeffrey;Tregoning, Robert;Hiser, Allen  
**Subject:** RE: Harvesting Workshop Agenda Brainstorming

The potential speakers for the data needs is probably the biggest unknown. The Swiss were looking to us for direction on what was needed.

Pat

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**Sent:** Wed, 7 Dec 2016 16:07:10 -0500  
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Matt:

Just got off the phone with Sherry and Rich. Let's talk about the agenda as soon as possible, either today or tomorrow morning.

Cheers,

Rob

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