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MEMORANDUM TO: Eric Rivera  
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FROM: Andrea D. Veil, Director  King, Michael signing on behalf  
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on 11/29/22

SUBJECT: STATUS OF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE AUDIT OF THE  
NRC'S NUCLEAR POWER REACTOR INSPECTION ISSUE  
SCREENING (OIG-21-A-07)

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) with the status of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) handling of the recommendations in OIG-21-A-07, "Audit of the NRC's Nuclear Power Reactor Inspection Issue Screening," dated March 29, 2021 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System Accession No. [ML21089A011](#)). The staff completed actions for recommendations 2 and 3 by memorandums dated April 23, 2021 and April 28, 2022, respectively ([ML21099A098](#) and [ML22108A093](#)).

Recommendation 1:

Clarify guidance for inputting inspection results into the RPS that involves TE [traditional enforcement] actions, such as escalated enforcement action, notices of violation, and licensee identified violations, etc.

Staff Response:

As stated in the original response to the audit, the NRC staff agreed with the recommendation and committed to enhance the guidance in Inspection Manual Chapter (IMC) 0306, "Planning, Scheduling, Tracking, and Reporting of the Reactor Oversight Process (ROP)," dated February 24, 2021 ([ML20302A345](#)). The staff has completed the enhancement, which consists of a new attachment 4, informed by inputs from the regions, that more clearly illustrates the sequence and management of inputs for the Reactor Program System (RPS). The NRC issued the revised IMC 0306 ([ML22235A101](#)) on October 13, 2022.

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Recommendation 4:

Conduct periodic training regarding RPS data input.

Staff Response:

As stated in the original response, the staff agreed with the recommendation and has captured in IMC 0306 the periodic training requirement as a responsibility for NRR/DRO. The staff continually conducts targeted training on the use of the RPS on an as-needed basis through one-on-one training sessions or training sessions with staff during counterpart meetings. In addition, the staff conducted two high-level training sessions for key representatives from each region on the enhanced guidance incorporated into the revised IMC 0306 (recommendation 1). The sessions were conducted on September 15, 2022 (with a near-final draft of the enhanced guidance), and again on October 19, 2022, with the final revised IMC. The training sessions constitute completion of the recommended actions.

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