

PUBLIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Title: 2025 NRC Standards Forum: Part II - Codes and Standards for Nuclear Energy Applications

Date(s) and Time(s): January 28, 2026, 09:00 AM to 04:30 PM ET

Location: NRC Two White Flint North, TWFN Auditorium
11545 Rockville Pike
Rockville, MD

Category: This is a Open meeting. Public participation is actively sought for this meeting to fully engage the public in a discussion of regulatory issues.

Purpose: This is the second of two meetings for the 2025 NRC Standards Forum. This meeting will discuss codes and standards (C&S) activities in detail, following stakeholder perspectives in the first meeting. The Forum aims at facilitating strategic discussions on C&S needs and priorities, accelerating C&S development, and NRC endorsement efficiencies. The Forum is an interactive meeting that engages a variety of stakeholders, such as standards development organizations (e.g. ACI, AISC, ANS, ASCE, ASME, IEEE, etc.), industry representatives, international regulators, research organizations, academia, the general public, and NRC staff.

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Comments: The Forum's dates and times may be updated later. This meeting will be hosted as a hybrid meeting, in-person at the NRC Headquarters and online via Microsoft Teams. Stakeholders who wish to attend in-person should register via the Webinar link above and e-mail any of the meeting contacts listed above before January 20, 2026. Mandatory Pre-registration for non-federal employee visitors: Effective September 1, 2025, NRC sponsors must pre-register all visitors who do not have PIV cards (and/or who need parking). Security Officers will not be able to register visitors upon arrival. Non-U.S. citizens must present a valid passport during screening, and a copy must be sent to InternationalVisitor.Resource@nrc.gov at least 12 business days before arrival.

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<i>Time</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>Speaker</i>
9:00– 9:10 AM	Opening Remarks—Welcome	Commissioner M. Marzano (NRC)
9:10– 9:15 AM	Meeting Logistics	Facilitator
9:15– 10:00 AM	Session 1: Codes & Standards Endorsement Efficiencies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Update on C&S Activities ● Enhancing NRC Endorsement Efficiency of C&S 	C. Araguas (RES)
	Open Discussion	All
10:00– 10:15 AM	Break	
	Session 2: Commercial Standards: Needs and Priorities (workshop format)	Moderator TBD
10:15– 11:30 AM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Commercial C&S for Structural Design ● Thoughtful Incorporation of Commercial Standards for Seismic Design of Nuclear Structures 	John Richards (EPRI) Brian McDonald (Exponent) and Andrew Whittaker (University at Buffalo)
11:30AM– 12:45PM	Lunch	
	Session 3: Innovative Approaches to QA (workshop format)	Moderator: Raj Iyengar (NRC)
12:45– 2:00 PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A 21st Century Nuclear Industry Needs a 21st Century Quality Approach (5-10 min presentation) ● Optimizing QA/QC requirements for Safety-related Commodities (5-10 min presentation) 	Mark Richter (NEI) Javeed Munshi (Bechtel)
2:00– 2:15 PM	Break	
	Session 4: Risk-Informed C&S Development	
2:15– 3:15 PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Risk-Informing using the new PSD-1 Standard ● Development and Modernization of Liquid Metal Fire Protection Standard (ANSI/ANS-54.8) 	Ralph Hill (AMSE) Sari Alkhatib (ANL)
3:15– 3:45 PM	Open Discussion (Action Items, Next Steps)	All
3:45– 4:00 PM	Closing remarks	C. Araguas

*Agenda will be updated with times and additional details (as needed) at least one week prior to the public meeting.

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