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NRC TO DISCUSS POST-FUKUSHIMA "REGULATORY FRAMEWORK" JUNE 20 IN ROCKVILLE, MD

Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will meet with members of the public and other interested parties June 20 to discuss the staff's preliminary approach to implementing one of the broadest recommendations of the NRC's Japan Near-Term Task Force, which examined issues raised by the Fukushima nuclear accident in March 2011.

The meeting will be held from 1 to 4:15 p.m. in Room 1-B-13/15 of the NRC's Executive Boulevard Building at 6003 Executive Boulevard in Rockville, Md. NRC staff will explain their current thinking regarding the <u>Task Force's</u> Recommendation 1, which calls for "establishing a logical, systematic, and coherent regulatory framework for adequate protection that appropriately balances defense-in-depth and risk considerations." The staff is exploring possible alternatives on how to revise the NRC's approach to regulating U.S. nuclear power plants. The agency's five Commissioners directed the staff to provide, by February 2013, options on how to act on Recommendation 1.

The public will have the opportunity to ask the NRC staff questions about the Recommendation 1 effort during the meeting, which will include a teleconference and webinar. Those planning to attend the meeting or who need teleconference and webinar information should contact Richard Dudley at 301-415-1116 or richard.dudley@nrc.gov.

The NRC continues to evaluate and act on the lessons learned from Fukushima to ensure U.S. nuclear power plants implement appropriate safety enhancements. Following direction from the agency's five Commissioners, the NRC's activities are being led by a steering committee comprised of senior NRC management. The agency has also established the Japan Lessons-Learned Project Directorate, a group of more than 20 full-time employees focused exclusively on implementing NTTF recommendations and related activities.

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