

Commission Briefing Nuclear Reactor Safety Program

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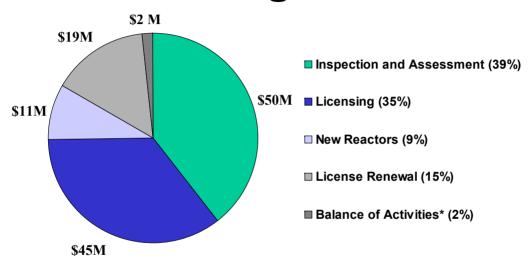
Briefing Topics

- Reactor Inspection and Assessment
- New Reactors
- License Renewal
- Reactor Licensing
- Current Technical Issues
- Summary

NRR Initiatives

- Safety, Security and Emergency Preparedness Integration
- Communications Improvement
- Safety Culture Improvement
- Human Capital Development
- Cost Effective Implementation of Programs

Reactor Budget Overview



FY2004 values exclude overhead (\$18M) and travel (\$1.8M) and are displayed in equivalent dollars (in millions)

^{*}Includes Homeland Security, Decommissioning, and International Activities

Reactor Inspection and Assessment

- Davis-Besse Restart Oversight
- CY03 Baseline Inspection Completion
- Inspection Manual Chapter 0350 Revision
- Significance Determination Process (SDP)
 Inspection Notebook Development

Reactor Inspection and Assessment

- Continued SDP Development
- Performance Indicator Improvements
- Engineering Inspection Improvements
- Cross-Cutting Issue Development
- Operating Experience Task Force Recommendations

New Reactors

- Early Site Permit Receipt
- AP1000 Design Certification Reviews
- Pre-application Reviews
- Draft Construction Inspection Program

New Reactors

- Combined License Preparation
- Construction Inspection Program
- Transition from Pre-application to Design Certification
- Additional Pre-application Reviews

License Renewal

- 23 Units Completed
 - 6 Units in FY03, 7 in FY04
- 19 Units Currently Under Review
 - Letters of Intent for 4 Units in FY04
- Developed New Review Process for Pilot Plants

License Renewal

- Update Guidance Documents
- Implement New Review Process
- Application Submittal Schedule

Reactor Licensing

- Met Licensing Action Output Goals
- Access Authorization Order Closeout
- Issued Review Standard for Extended Power Uprates (RS-001)

Reactor Licensing

- Security Plan Review Integrated Team
- MOX Licensing Activities
- Standard Review Plan Update
- Topical Report Reviews
- Rulemaking Process Improvements

Current Technical Issues

- Grid Reliability
- Power Uprate Issues
- Material Degradation
- Containment Sump Issues
- Fire Protection
- Risk-Informed Regulation

Summary

- Enhancing safety focus
- Working with all stakeholders to improve program effectiveness
- Committed to infrastructure development
- Continuing improvement initiatives