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# Briefing on Proposed Rule: Enhancements to Emergency Preparedness Regulations

#### **December 8, 2009**

# **Emergency Preparedness Rule**

- Briefing Overview
- Rulemaking Process
- Stakeholder Participation
- Stakeholder Comments
- Comment Resolution
- Milestones and Schedule

#### **Proposed EP Rulemaking**

#	RULEMAKING TOPIC
1	On-Shift Multiple Responsibilities
2	Emergency Action Levels for Hostile Action Events
3	Emergency Response Organization Augmentation at Alternative Facility
4	Licensee Coordination with Offsite Response Organizations
5	Protective Actions for Onsite Personnel
6	Challenging Drills and Exercises
7	Alert and Notification System Backup Means
8	Emergency Declaration Timeliness
9	Emergency Operations Facility – Performance-Based Approach
10	Evacuation Time Estimate Updating
11	Emergency Plan Change Process

#### **Rulemaking Process and Stakeholder Participation**

- Rulemaking Process
- Public Comment Period
- Public Meetings
- Stakeholder Participation
- Web Meeting Technology

- State/Local Government Agencies
  - Licensee Coordination with Offsite Response Organizations
  - Challenging Drills and Exercises
  - Evacuation Time Estimate Updates
  - Backup Alert and Notification
  - Use of National Incident Management System/Incident Command System by Licensees

- Non-Governmental Organizations
  - Licensee Coordination with Offsite Response Organizations
  - Challenging Drills and Exercises
  - Evacuation Time Estimate Updates
  - Emergency Declaration Timeliness
  - Additional Topics for Rulemaking
- Research and Test Reactors
  - Expanding Scope of Rule to Non-Power Reactors

- Nuclear Industry
  - Licensee Coordination with Offsite Response Organizations
  - Emergency Plan Change Process
  - Challenging Drills and Exercises
  - Evacuation Time Estimate Updates
  - Emergency Declaration Timeliness
- Others
  - Evacuation Time Estimate Updates
  - Technical Basis for Rulemaking

- Major Areas of Comment
  - Licensee Coordination with Offsite Response Organizations
  - Evacuation Time Estimate Updates
  - Backup Alert and Notification
  - Challenging Drills and Exercises
  - Emergency Plan Change Process

# **Comment Resolution**

- Comment Resolution Process
- Emergency Preparedness Rulemaking Working Group
- NRC-FEMA Joint Comment Resolution Team

#### **Remaining Milestones**

- Complete Draft Final Rule & NRC Guidance
  - Timeframe: February 2010
- Review Draft Final Rule & Guidance with ACRS Subcommittee & Full Committee
  - Timeframe: March April 2010

## **Remaining Milestones (Continued)**

- Submit Final Rule to Commission
  Timeframe: May 2010
- Publish Final Rule & Guidance
  - Timeframe: Fall 2010

#### **Schedule Considerations**

- Comment Resolution
- Extent of Changes
- Implementation Schedule
- Alignment with FEMA