

Protecting People and the Environment

Briefing on the Japan Near Term Task Force Report – Prioritization of Recommendations

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Prioritization of Near-Term Task Force Recommendations

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Agenda

- Background
- Prioritization of NTTF
 Recommendations
- Additional issues
- Resources
- Next steps

NTTF Conclusions

- No imminent risk from continued operation and licensing activities
- NTTF report provided 12 overarching recommendations addressing principles of defense-indepth, protection, mitigation and emergency preparedness

Status of SRM-SECY-11-0093

- Required four Notation Vote Papers on NTTF report:
 - Proposed charter (complete)
 - Staff recommendations (complete)
 - Prioritization (complete)
 - Recommendation 1 (due within 18 months)

Staff Review of NTTF Recommendations

 Commission paper (SECY-11-0124) contains staff's assessment of the NTTF recommendations that can and, in the staff's judgment, should be initiated, in part or in whole, without delay

Prioritization of NTTF Recommendations

- Commission paper (SECY-11-0137) contains staff's prioritization of the NTTF recommendations, including:
 - Recommended regulatory actions
 - Implementation challenges
 - Technical and regulatory bases
 - Additional recommendations
 - Schedule and milestones

Three Tiers of Recommendations

• Tier 1 – Start without delay

Tier 2 – Start in the near term

Tier 3 – Longer term actions

Tier 1 Recommendations

 Recommendations which should be started without unnecessary delay and for which sufficient resource flexibility, including availability of critical skill sets, exists

Tier 1 Recommendations

- Seismic and flood hazard reevaluations (2.1)
- Seismic and flood walkdowns (2.3)
- Station blackout (4.1)
- 10 CFR 50.54(hh)(2) equipment (4.2)

Tier 1 Recommendations (cont'd)

- Reliable hardened vent for Mark I and Mark II containments (5.1)
- SFP instrumentation (7.1)
- Strengthening on-site emergency response capabilities (8)
- Emergency preparedness (9.3)

Additions to Tier 1

- Reliable Mark II Containment Vents
 - Concurrent with Mark I (5.1)
- SFP Instrumentation (7.1)
 - Interact with stakeholders regarding functional requirements
 - Issue order requiring implementation

Tier 2 Recommendations

- Recommendations which could not be initiated without delay due to factors that include:
 - Need for further technical assessment and alignment
 - Dependence on Tier 1 issues
 - Availability of critical skill sets

Tier 2 Recommendations

- SFP makeup capability (7.2, 7.3, 7.4, and 7.5)
- Emergency preparedness (9.3)
 - Remaining portions with the exception of ERDS capability

SFP Makeup Capability (7.2, 7.3, 7.4, and 7.5)

- Engage stakeholders in support of rulemaking activities to provide reliable SFP instrumentation and makeup capabilities
- Development of regulatory basis, proposed rule and implementing guidance

Emergency Preparedness (9.3)

- Tier 2 remaining portions with the exception of ERDS capability
- Engage stakeholders on planning standard elements
- Issue order requiring necessary changes

Tier 3 Recommendations

- Require further staff study
- Follow after Tier 1 actions
- Depend on critical skill set availability
- Depend on resolution of NTTF Recommendation 1

Tier 3 Recommendations

- Ten-year confirmation of seismic and flooding hazards (2.2)
- Seismically induced fires and floods (3)
- Reliable hardened vents for other containment designs (5.2)
- Hydrogen control (6)

Tier 3 Recommendations (cont'd)

- EP for prolonged SBO and multiunit events (9.1, 9.2, 10)
- Enhanced ERDS capability (9.3)
- EP-related decision-making, radiation monitoring, and public education (11)

Tier 3 Recommendations (cont'd)

- Reactor Oversight Process modifications (12.1)
- Staff training on severe accidents, including SAMGs (12.2)

Additional Issues

- Additional issues identified by external stakeholders and NRC staff
 - Disciplined assessment of relationship to Fukushima lessons learned
 - Future assessment and potential prioritization

Additional Issues

- Filtration of containment vents
- Instrumentation for seismic monitoring
- Basis of emergency planning zone size

Additional Issues (cont'd)

- Prestaging of potassium iodide beyond ten miles
- Transfer of spent fuel to dry cask storage
- Loss of ultimate heat sink

Resources

- Tier 1 and Tier 2 estimates
 - **Fiscal Year 2012 30 FTE**
 - Fiscal Year 2013 90 FTE
 - Total (including out years) 205 FTE

Next Steps

- Evaluate Tier 3 schedules and resource impacts
- Identify and provide prioritization of additional issues
- Provide options regarding NTTF Recommendation 1

Acronyms

- EP Emergency Preparedness
- ERDS Emergency Response Data System
- FTE Full-Time Equivalents
- NTTF Near-Term Task Force
- SAMG Severe Accident Mitigation Guidelines
- SBO Station Blackout
- SFP Spent Fuel Pool