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NRC REACTOR CONSTRUCTION WORKSHOP IN NEW ORLEANS JUNE 17 TO FOCUS ON VENDOR INSPECTION ACTIVITIES

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is holding a one-day workshop on vendor oversight for new reactor construction June 17 in New Orleans, La.

“We want to share our insights and what we’ve learned from current construction projects,” said Glenn Tracy, director of the Division of Construction Inspection in the NRC’s Office of New Reactors. “This information is important for current nuclear industry vendors as well as companies interested in supplying components and services to new reactor applicants.”

The workshop is open to the public and runs from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on June 17 in the New Orleans Marriott at 555 Canal St. Presenters will include NRC staff, the Nuclear Procurement Issues Committee (NUPIC, an industry vendor clearinghouse), the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), the Nuclear Energy Institute, the Electric Power Research Institute and two current nuclear vendors. The NRC encourages those interested in attending the workshop to pre-register by June 1 by visiting this Web page:

<http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/new-reactors/oversight/quality-assurance/vendor-oversight/registration.html>. Individuals needing reasonable accommodations to participate in the workshop should contact Samantha Crane by June 10, via e-mail at Samantha.Crane@nrc.gov or via phone at (301) 415-6380.

The NRC staff expects the workshop will bring together regulated utilities, nuclear component vendors and other interested stakeholders to discuss such issues as vendor oversight for new reactors; the ASME nuclear survey process; the NRC enforcement policy as it applies to vendors; and counterfeit, fraudulent or suspect items. NRC staff will be available at the end of each workshop session for additional discussions. The NRC is holding the workshop in conjunction with a NUPIC meeting to ensure vendors can participate. Additional workshop information is available on the NRC Web site here:

<http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/new-reactors/oversight/quality-assurance/vendor-oversight.html>.

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