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NRC TO DISCUSS IMPLEMENTING ORDERS FOR POST-FUKUSHIMA IMPROVEMENTS SEPT. 27 IN ROCKVILLE, MD

Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will meet with industry representatives Sept. 27 to continue discussions on schedules and guidance for the Orders and related request for information the agency issued on March 12. The actions stem from recommendations of the NRC's Japan Near-Term Task Force (NTTF), which examined issues raised by the Fukushima nuclear accident in March 2011.

The meeting will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. in the Commission Hearing Room on the first floor of the White Flint North complex at 11555 Rockville Pike in Rockville, Md. NRC management and industry executives will discuss guidance for the three Orders (covering [strategies to respond to extreme natural events resulting in the loss of power at plants](#), [ensuring reliable hardened containment vents](#), and [enhancing spent fuel pool instrumentation](#)) and a multifaceted [request for information](#), all of which were issued in March.

The discussions will cover implementation of the information request's earthquake and flooding hazard "walkdowns," where skilled engineers verify that the plants conform to their current license requirements. The meeting will also cover longer-term evaluations and actions related to possible lessons learned from the Fukushima accident.

The public will have the opportunity to ask the NRC staff questions about the process during the meeting, which will be [webcast](#). A teleconference will also be available by calling 888-220-3090 and using passcode 69958. Those planning to attend the meeting or call in to the teleconference should contact Richard Jervey at 301-415-1073 or richard.jervey@nrc.gov to ensure adequate meeting resources are available.

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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NOTE: Anyone wishing to take photos or use a camera to record any portion of a NRC meeting should contact the Office of Public Affairs beforehand.

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