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NRC TO DISCUSS POST-FUKUSHIMA “REGULATORY FRAMEWORK” NOV. 8 IN ROCKVILLE, MD

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will meet with members of the public and other interested parties on Nov. 8 to discuss the staff’s progress in considering a revised regulatory framework, one of the broadest recommendations of the NRC’s Japan Near-Term Task Force. The task force was established to examine issues raised by the 2011 Fukushima nuclear accident.

The meeting will be held from 1 to 4:15 p.m. in Room T2B1 of the NRC’s White Flint complex at 11555 Rockville Pike in Rockville, Md. NRC staff will explain their latest thinking regarding the [task force’s](#) Recommendation 1, which calls for “establishing a logical, systematic, and coherent regulatory framework for adequate protection that appropriately balances defense-in-depth and risk considerations.” The agency’s five Commissioners directed the staff to provide, by February 2013, options on how to address Recommendation 1.

The meeting will also address aspects of a [risk-informed regulatory framework](#) proposed earlier this year by a separate task force led by Commissioner George Apostolakis. The public will have the opportunity to ask the NRC staff questions about these efforts during the meeting, which will include a teleconference and webinar. Those planning to attend the meeting or who need teleconference and webinar information should contact Daniel Doyle at 301-415-3748 or daniel.doyle@nrc.gov by Nov. 2, to help ensure enough meeting materials and phone lines are available for attendees.

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 the task force’s recommendations and related activities.

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