

NUCLEAR REACTOR SAFETY ARENA

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Introduction

- Provide arena perspective
- Summarize accomplishments
- Describe FY 2001 challenges

NRS Arena Overview

- All strategic goal measures met
- All performance goal measures met
- Output measures
- Program evaluations and self assessments

NRS Arena Overview

- Key arena challenges
 - Continued progress on risk informed performance based activities
 - Communications
 - Acquiring and maintaining highly qualified staff

Licensing & Renewal

- Key output measures
 - Licensing actions
 - Other licensing tasks
 - Renewal completion
- Major accomplishments
 - Regulatory infrastructure
 - Organizational effectiveness

Licensing & Renewal

- Self assessment activities
- Key challenges
 - Achieving process efficiencies, especially in License Renewal
 - Risk-informing physical protection requirements
 - High quality and diverse staff

Inspection, Assessment, Enforcement & Investigations

- Major accomplishments
 - Revised Reactor Oversight
 Process (ROP) implementation
 - Enforcement policy changes

Inspection, Assessment, Enforcement & Investigations

- Key output measures
 - -Inspection and assessment
 - Enforcement
 - Investigations
- Self assessment activities

Inspection, Assessment, Enforcement & Investigations

- Key challenges
 - -Supporting ROP assessments
 - Staffing and training for ROP
 - Communications on change
 - Enforcement ADR and employment discrimination

Incident Response

- Major accomplishments
 - -Y2K response effort
 - "One Voice" initiative
 - Presidential Decision Directives (PDDs)
- Actual response experience
 - Several response center activations

Incident Response

- Self assessment activity
- Diagnostic Evaluation Program folded into ROP
- Key challenges
 - Ensuring continuity of emergency telecom transition
 - Interactions with FBI in emergency response arena

Safety Research

- Key output measure
- Major accomplishments
 - Analytical areas
 - Experimental results
 - Programmatic areas
 - Cooperative efforts

Safety Research

- Self assessment activities
- Key challenges
 - Risk-informed regulation
 - Advanced reactors and new technologies
 - -Strengthening infrastructure

Technical Training

- Key output measure
- Major accomplishments
 - Initial implementation training for RROP
 - Training quality
 - Training effectiveness
 - Training enrollment efficiency

Technical Training

- Key challenges
 - Incorporate inspector qualification & training review group recommendations
 - Advanced risk assessment training for regional staff

Summary

- Met strategic and performance goal measures
- Using disciplined planning and self assessment processes to emphasize outcomes
- Addressing key challenges