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## OPENING REMARKS OF NRC CHAIRMAN GREGORY B. JACZKO AT THE 60-DAY UPDATE FROM THE JAPAN TASK FORCE

Good morning. The Commission meets today to discuss the safety review that the agency launched in response to the events in Japan. This is the second in a series of three public meetings, which are being held at 30-day, 60-day, and 90-day marks, to discuss the progress of the near-term component of the review. These meetings are intended to keep the public informed of our progress, and they reflect our commitment to proceeding as openly and transparently as possible.

During today's meeting, the staff will provide an update on the status of events in Japan, review actions that the NRC has already taken, and provide an overview of their progress in conducting the 90-day, near-term review. Although it is too still early to discuss possible recommendations, I expect that we will focus today on the Task Force's findings thus far. The third and final of these meetings next month will focus on the Task Force's recommendations and their final report, which we will make public once completed. That report will pave the way for the longer-term component of our safety review, which we expect to be completed in six months after it begins.

I believe it's important that our safety review proceed systematically and methodically, but with the appropriate sense of urgency given the important safety issues being examined. I want to thank the staff for their outstanding work so far, and the dedication they have brought to their important responsibilities.

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