

NRC Workshop on Nuclear Safety Culture

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Purpose of the Workshop

- To develop a definition of safety culture (SC) and the description/traits that will be used in the development of a final safety culture policy statement
- Held Feb 2-4 2010, Rockville, MD (between snowpocalypse and snowmageddon)

Stakeholders

- Licensees (breakout groups):
 - Reactors-new construction
 - Materials-Industrial
 - Materials-Medical
- Professional Societies
- Members of the Public

Role of Panelists

- Provide perspective as a licensee, a member of the public, or member of a specific organization
- Work with NRC staff to develop a common definition of safety culture and a common set of descriptions, traits and concepts of safety culture that apply to all NRC licensees and certificate holders
- Contribute to and participate in the discussions in the breakout sessions
- Consider positions and views of the breakout participants and articulate these views in the panel discussions

Panelists

Kevin Buckley (AAPM)

Gerald Castro (JCHA)

David Garchow (INPO)

Billie Garde (Member of
the Public)

Tom Houghton (NEI)

Bob Link (AREVA)

George Marshall (APNGA)

Wayne Rice (AFL-CIO)

Shawn Seeley (OAS)

Diane Sieracki (Dominion)

Gayle Staton (NDTMA)

Duann Vanderslice

Thistlewaite (SNM)

Richard Toohey (HPS)

Victoria Winfrey (Prairie
Island Indian
Community Tribal
Council)

Bruce Williams (Shaw)

Chuck Workman (G4S)

Workshop Process Day 1

- Presentations by NRC staff (or contractors) on background of the initiative, goals of the workshop, other guidance on safety culture (INPO, IAEA, etc.)
- Breakout sessions to develop draft definitions of safety culture for NRC use

Workshop Process Day 2

- Group session to reconcile three versions of safety culture definition into one that everyone could live with
- Breakout sessions to identify proper safety culture practices/characteristics

Workshop Process Day 3

- Group session to bin those 150 or so specific traits into 6-8 areas
- Identification of these areas as overriding traits
- Decided we were finished and additional workshops not needed

Next Steps

- The NRC expectation/vision is to get feedback on the February Workshop developed safety culture definition and traits and get an understanding of the challenges in adoption/use of the definition and traits (this would include the aspects of the definition and traits that resonate or are useful to their type of organizations).
- So here we are!