Summary –

The session discussed the NRC initiative to propose changes to EP regulations and associated draft onsite guidance documents. The session also included a broad discussion of potential guidance changes involving protective action recommendations for severe accidents, based on recent studies of alternate protective actions and anticipated public response.

The NRC is pursuing revision of Supp 3 to enhance the protective actions recommended by nuclear plant operators to offsite response organizations in response to a General Emergency. The changes are based on the research done in NUREG/CR-6953, Volumes 1 & 2 “Review of NUREG-0654, Supplement 3, “Criteria for Protective Action Recommendations for Severe Accidents”. The NUREG showed that staged evacuation is a preferred protective action in most scenarios. A revised PAR Logic diagram is presented for discussion.