

INDUSTRY PROGRAMS & SERVICES

EXCEL is synonymous with innovative regulatory approaches. Our technical support of the Pressurized Water Reactor Owners Group (PWROG), the Boiling Water Reactors Owners' Group (BWROG), and the AP1000® Owners Group (APOG), and our management of the Technical Specifications Task Force, keeps EXCEL on the forefront of regulatory opportunities and issues. Our industry involvement gives EXCEL a unique, industry-wide viewpoint that is invaluable to our utility clients. When operating plants are faced with difficult regulatory questions, they turn to EXCEL.

EXCEL's associates have decades of experience and are recognized as the experts in their field. Utilities call on EXCEL to create or manage complex regulatory products, take advantage of risk-informed opportunities, solve difficult regulatory problems, and train their regulatory staffs.

OWNERS GROUP (PWROG/BWROG/APOG) REGULATORY SUPPORT/NEI WORKING GROUP/TASK FORCE SUPPORT

EXCEL has provided regulatory and technical support to the PWROG, BWROG, APOG, and their predecessor organizations, for over 20 years. Through the Owners Groups, EXCEL provides "any time, on request" regulatory and technical support to every commercial reactor in the United States and abroad. EXCEL also manages the joint Owners Group Technical Specifications Task Force (TSTF), that is the focal point for industry interaction with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission on generic technical, regulatory, and compliance issues related to the Technical Specifications. EXCEL has created all of the 500+ TSTF travelers (generic changes to the Technical Specifications), including all risk-informed travelers. EXCEL also supports a number of Nuclear Energy Institute committees.

OPERATING PLANT REGULATORY SUPPORT

EXCEL provides commercial reactor licensees with regulatory and technical assistance, such as creation of license amendment requests, Quality Assurance Program changes, design of regulatory staff training programs, design of docketed information retrieval systems, and independent assessment of licensing actions (peer reviews, challenge boards, etc.).





REGULATORY TRAINING

As the commercial nuclear industry's recognized regulatory experts, EXCEL provides training to U.S. and international clients on topics such as Technical Specifications usage (licensed operators and regulatory staff), performing regulatory research, writing effective license amendment requests, creating an effective regulatory affairs organization, implementing an effective Surveillance Frequency Control Program, 10 CFR Part 52 (new reactors) regulations, and Instrumentation and Controls.

RISK-INFORMED TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

EXCEL has been the author of every risk-informed TSTF traveler, including the Surveillance Frequency Control Program and Risk-Informed Completion Times, giving us a unique insight into their successful adoption. EXCEL plays a key role on the NEI Risk Informed Technical Specifications Task Force (RITSTF), working to resolve issues with licensee adoption of risk-informed initiatives and keeping EXCEL at the forefront of these activities. EXCEL also supports the NEI Risk-Informed Engineering Task Force, which works to implement 10 CFR 50.69 across the industry.