The Evolution of the ROP

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ROP Since Implementation

• Framework has not changed
• Numerous changes to ROP elements
• Impetus for changes from numerous sources
Drivers for ROP Changes

• Inspector feedback and self-assessments
• Industry and public input
• Third-party audits (OIG, GAO)
• Events and significant findings
• Project Aim and transformation initiative
Performance Indicators

- Safety system reliability
- Scrams with complications
- Security
Inspections

- Problem identification and resolution
- Security (physical and cyber)
- Engineering
- Material control and accounting
- Beyond design-basis
- Operating experience “smart samples”
- Traditional enforcement follow-up
Assessment

• Minor / more-than-minor guidance
• Significance determination process
• Cross-cutting issues (and safety culture)
• “Dual Path” conditions
• Column 3 entry criteria
• Mid-Cycle assessments
Other Activity

• Inspection reporting
• End-of-Cycle public interactions
• “N+1” policy
• Operability guidance
• Unidentified Leakage monitoring
• Temporary instructions