

# Transformation and Innovation in the National Materials Program

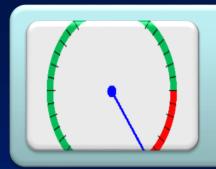
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### Strategic Focus Areas Driven by **Innovation and Transformation**



Risk-informing our regulatory approaches



Re-evaluating roles and responsibilities within the National **Materials Program** 



Expanding NRC/State partnerships

#### Modern Risk-Informed Regulation

- Finding smarter ways to accomplish our mission by embracing innovative approaches;
- Recognizing that licensees have primary responsibility for safety – regulating through flexible approaches, when appropriate;
- Developing risk-informed and performancebased regulations; and
- Proactively resolving regulatory challenges in a thoughtful and timely way.



# The National Materials Program Comes Full Circle Over the Last 20 Years

**THEN** 





**AND** 

**NOW** 





# **Expanding the NRC/Agreement State Partnership**

- Enhance and expand communications with our Agreement State regulatory partners;
- Embracing consensus on regulatory priorities;
- Joint assessment of NMP performance; and
- Identifying opportunities for increased Agreement State participation and decreased duplication of effort.



#### Health of the National Materials Program

- Strong working relationship;
- Challenging NMP priorities;
- Continued interest for new Agreements;
- Success in addressing emerging technologies; &
- Continued strong Agreement State performance.

AVERAGE IMPEP SCORE FOR ALL INDICATORS

5.0



### **Looking Forward**



Enhanced Partnership with the States



Evolution of the NMP and IMPEP



Transformation of our Regulatory Approaches



## Questions



