

# ***Indian Point Energy Center 2020 Government to Government Meeting***

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# **Agenda**

- **Welcome** **Raymond Lorson**
- **Overview of License Transfer Process and 2019 Indian Point Plant Performance** **Raymond Lorson**
- **NRC Review of AIM Pipeline Analysis** **Dave Skeen / Mel Gray**
- **Buchanan Local Update** **Mayor Knickerbocker**
- **Cortlandt Local Update** **Supervisor Puglisi**
- **NRC Staff Available for Questions**
- **Closing Remarks** **Raymond Lorson**



# ***Welcome***

***Ray Lorson,  
Deputy Regional Administrator  
Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Region I***





# ***NRC Region I Staff Available for Questions***

**Dan Collins, Director,  
Division of Reactor Projects**



**Tony Dimitriadis, Chief, Decommissioning,  
Independent Spent Fuel Storage  
Installation & Reactor Health Physics**



**Nik Floyd, Indian Point  
Senior Resident Inspector**



**Kevin Mangan, Senior  
Reactor Inspector**



# **NRC Headquarters Staff Available for Questions**

**Rich Turtill, Senior  
Financial Analyst**



**John Wise, Senior  
Materials Engineer**



**Bruce Watson, Chief, Reactor  
Decommissioning, Office of Nuclear  
Material Safety & Safeguards**



**John McKirgan, Chief, Storage  
& Transportation Licensing**



**Patricia Milligan, Senior  
Level Advisor for  
Emergency Preparedness**



# **2019 Indian Point Assessment Summary**

***Daniel Schroeder,***  
***Chief, Division of Reactor Projects***  
***Nuclear Regulatory Commission***  
***Region I***





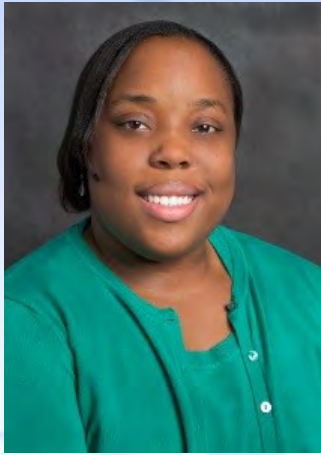
# Resident Inspection Office Staff

Nik Floyd  
Senior Resident Inspector



Diane Hochmuth,  
Administrative Assistant

Sarah Obadina  
Resident Inspector



Justin Vazquez  
Resident Inspector



# ***NRC Independent Safety Inspections***

## **Reactor Oversight Process**

- **NRC inspectors have unfettered access to all plant activities related to nuclear safety and security**
- **Full-time NRC resident inspectors**
- **NRC regional specialists conduct additional inspections at each nuclear plant**







# **Indian Point 2019 Assessment Summary**

- **Indian Point Units 2 & 3 operated safely and in a manner that preserved the public health and safety and protected the environment**
- **Indian Point Units 2 & 3 remained in the Licensee Response column of the Action Matrix**
- **8,400 hours of inspection and related activities**
- **3 Green Non-Cited Violations (NCVs) and one Green finding**



# **License Transfer**



**Richard Guzman**  
**NRC Project Manager**  
**Office of Nuclear Reactor**  
**Regulation**



# License Transfer Review Summary

- **License Transfer Application (November 2019)**
  - Noticed in Federal Register (January 2020)
  - Hearing Requests and Comments Received (February 2020)
  - Requests for Additional Information (August 2020)
- **If approved, an Order and Conforming Amendment are issued:**
  - Order (Projected November/December 2020)
  - Conforming License Amendment (May 2021)
- **Other Processes/Reviews:**
  - Hearings on License Transfer Applications
  - Holtec Exemption Request to allow use of Decommissioning Trust Funds for Non-Radiological Decommissioning Activities



# **Gas Pipeline**

***David Skeen,***  
***Team Lead: Expert Evaluation Team on***  
***Concerns Pertaining to the Gas***  
***Transmission Lines Near Indian Point***





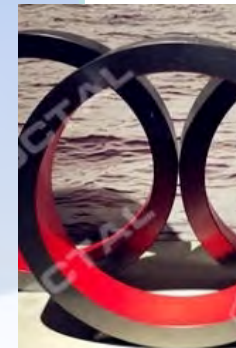
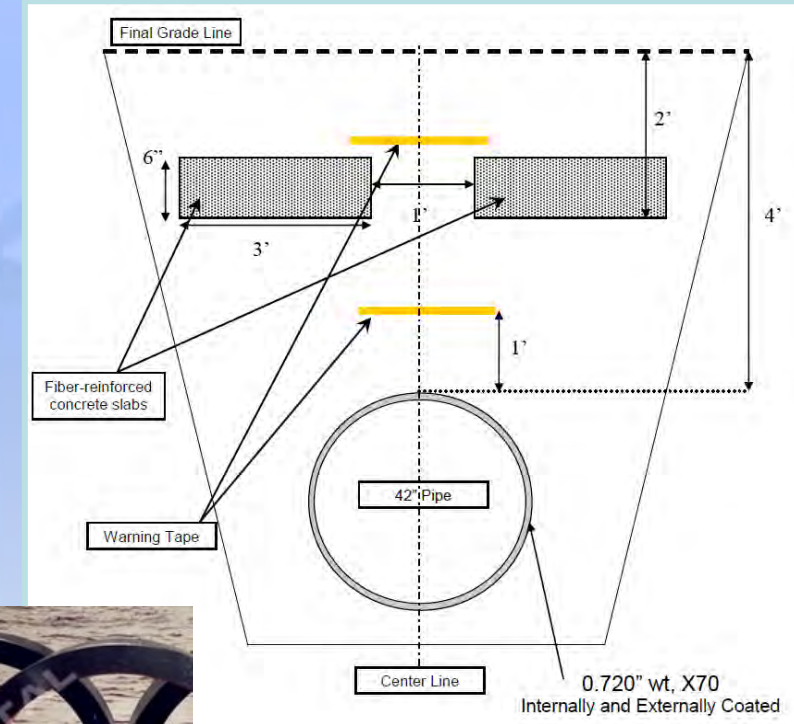
# ***Expert Evaluation Team's Key Findings***

- **Indian Point remains safe.**
  - A rupture of the 42” Algonquin Incremental Market (AIM) pipeline near Indian Point is unlikely.
  - If a rupture occurred, the nuclear power plant and its stored spent fuel would remain protected.
- **The team recommended that the NRC take several actions.**
  - Entergy should be asked to revisit optimistic assumptions it used in its analyses.
  - NRC should consider process updates for peer reviews, inspection support, petition reviews, interagency work, and pipeline analysis.



# AIM Pipeline Unlikely to Fail

- Construction meets or exceeds DOT requirements for a high-consequence area
  - Stronger pipe
  - Buried deeper, with concrete slabs, warning tape
  - Corrosion protection
  - Full weld inspection
  - Pressure testing
- Operator's integrity management program provides for risk assessments, prioritization of ongoing inspections
- New York inspects under agreement with DOT/PHMSA; no violations or open issues

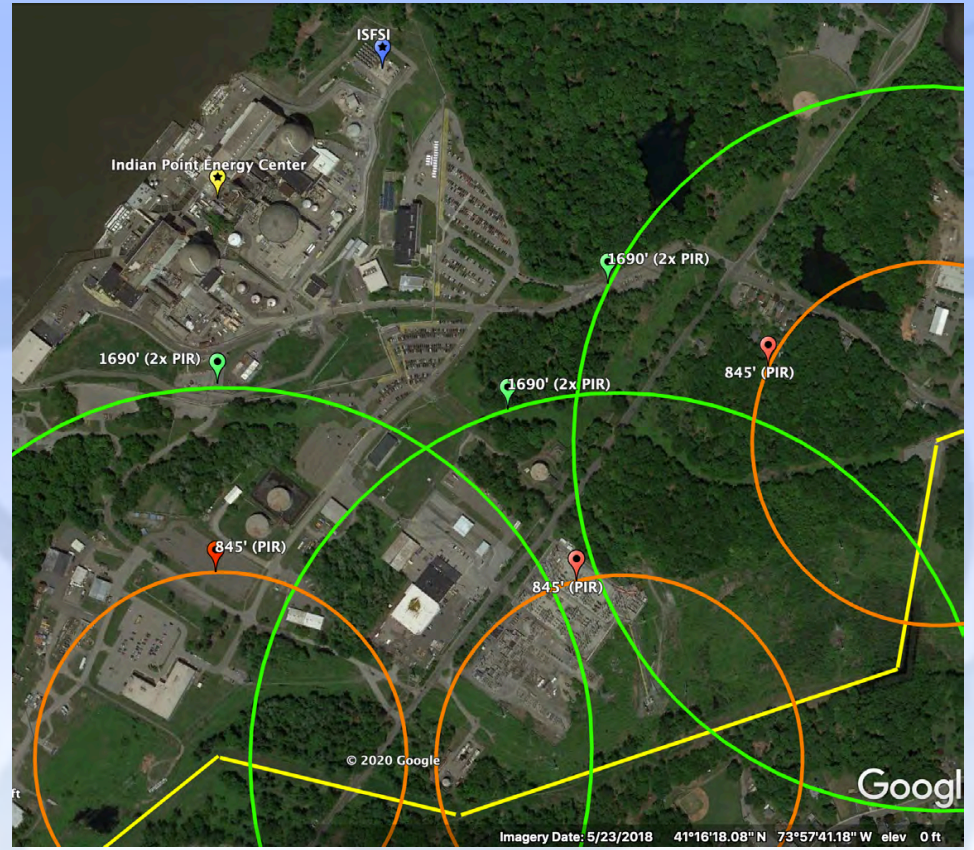


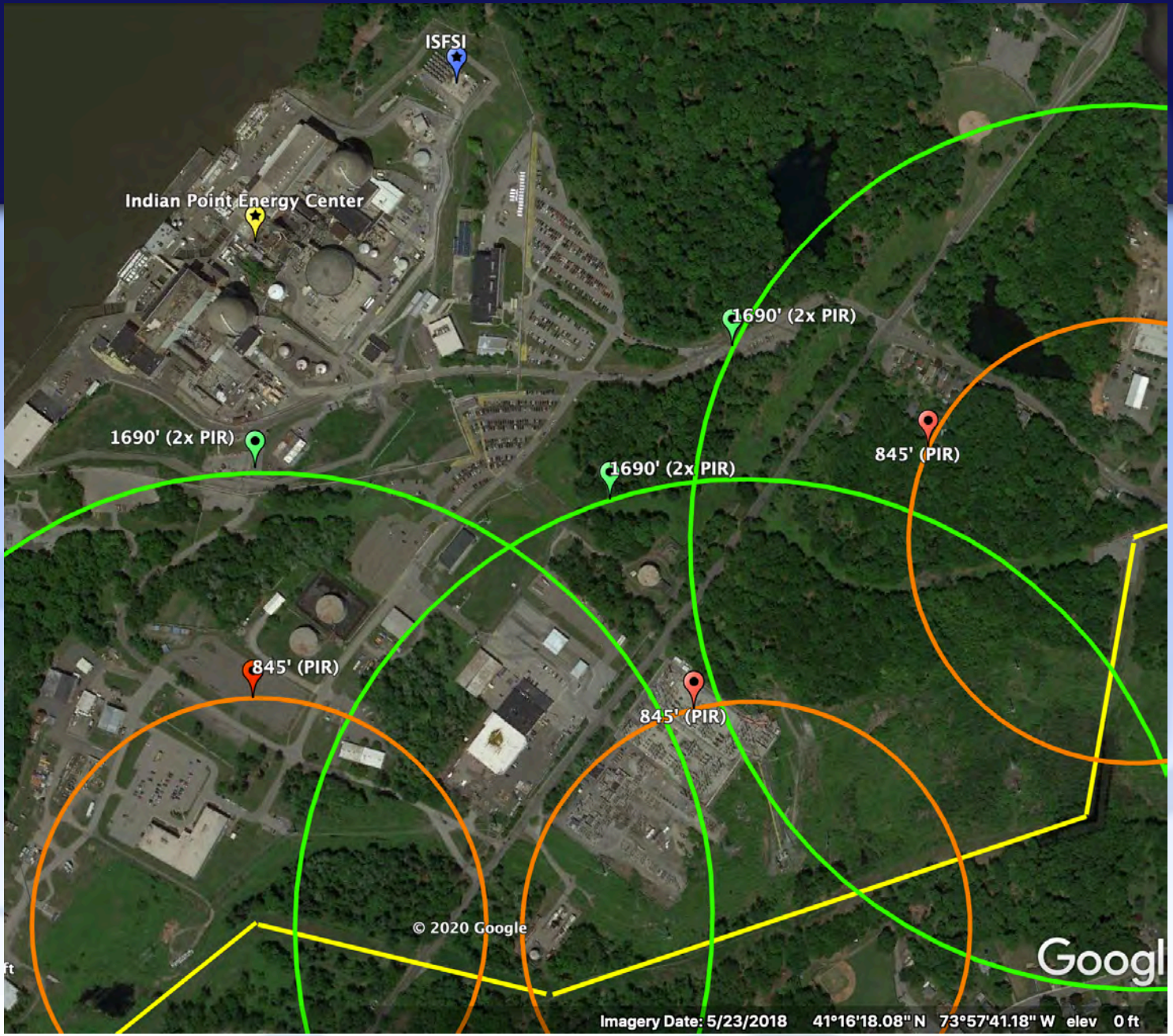
<https://www.octalsteel.com/resources/api-5l-x70-pipe>



# Plant Safe in the Unlikely Event of a Pipe Rupture

- Safety-related equipment, spent fuel pools, and dry fuel storage are 2 or more times the "potential impact radius" in DOT regulations
- Team calculated heat effects – thick-walled important plant structures could withstand a fire burning for ~8 hours









# ***NRC Is Improving its Processes***

- **Peer reviews – initial and continued training on updated guidance**
- **Inspection support – guidelines for how to ask and answer technical questions**
- **10 CFR 2.206 petition reviews – better decision making, documentation, and independence**
- **Pipeline analysis – updated technical guidance, including when/how to do detailed analysis**
- **Interagency collaboration – guidance for how to support other agencies' reviews and document interactions**



# ***NRC Inspection of Revised Entergy Safety Analysis***

***Mel Gray,  
Chief, Engineering Branch 1  
Division of Reactor Safety  
Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Region I***





# ***NRC Inspection Follow-up of Expert Team Recommendation***

- **NRC requested Entergy to revisit optimistic assumptions it used in its 2015 analyses.**
- **NRC received revised Entergy analyses and completed inspections in July 2020.**
- **NRC completed inspection and issued a report on September 16, 2020**





# NRC Inspection Conclusions

- **Indian Point Safety-Related Structures and Equipment Not Affected in the Unlikely Event of an AIM Pipeline Rupture**



## Rupture Hazards

- Jet fire
- Vapor cloud explosions
- Vapor cloud fire
- Missiles (projectiles from pipe rupture)



## ***NRC Inspection Conclusions (cont.)***

- **Entergy revised assumptions that resulted in increased isolation time (8 minutes) and longer pipe length to be isolated (11 miles).**
- **Inspectors found assumptions were not used by Entergy in 2015 to determine the impact of pipeline hazards on safety-related equipment.**
  - **Valve closure time discussed in cloud fire hazard analysis but not a factor in conclusions.**



## ***NRC Inspection Conclusions (cont.)***

- **Inspectors found Entergy revised their analysis to include additional conservatisms and refinements.**
  - Jet fire angled towards plant
  - Increased flow rate for turbulent jet explosion
  - Vapor cloud explosion in tree belt
- **Analyses continued to show safety related equipment is unaffected by AIM pipeline**



# Buchanan Local Update

*Mayor Knickerbocker*



# Cortlandt Local Update

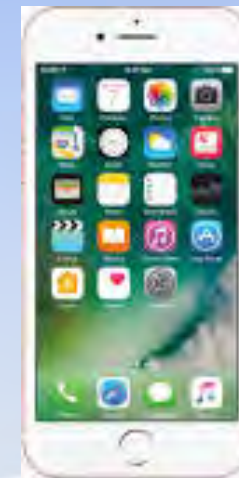
***Supervisor Puglisi***





# ***How To Ask a Question***

- **Ask your question verbally by pressing \*1 (star one)**
- **Do not have your phone on mute**
- **The moderator will coordinate questions**
- **Press \*2 to withdraw wanting to ask a question**
- **Press \*0 (star zero) for help**





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***Thank You for Attending!***