## **NSCSL Update**

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## **Biography**

Jim Ripple is the Supply Chain Management Director for Southern Nuclear Operating Company in Birmingham, Alabama. Jim graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1973 and served as a U.S. Army Infantry officer for eight years. In 1981, he joined Southern Company in the Nuclear Engineering department of Alabama Power. In 1984, he received his MBA from the University of Alabama, Birmingham. Prior to becoming the Supply Chain Management Director for Southern Nuclear, he held a number of engineering and Supply Chain positions to include project manager for Dry Cask Storage, Supply Chain Engineering manager, Procurement and Contracts manager, and Program Manager for Pooled Inventory Management (PIM).

## **Abstract - NSCSL Update**

The Nuclear Supply Chain Strategic Leaders (NSCSL) is the industry working group of the key Supply Chain leaders from each of the "nuclear" utilities in the United States and Canada. The group meets twice a year to discuss nuclear industry Supply Chain issues, develop generic responses to INPO and NRC initiatives, ensure coordination of applicable EPRI, NUPIC, JUTG and NUOG committees with Supply Chain, and share best practices. They also conduct monthly status update calls. This session will focus on the current initiatives and issues being addressed by NSCSL.