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TOP TIPS FOR ACHIEVING THE NUCLEAR PROMISE

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Idox EIM (McLaren Software) and NIRMA partnered to deliver a successful webinar recently on key strategies in achieving the Nuclear Promise. If you missed it or would like to watch it again, the video can be viewed at <https://goo.gl/Ia8mvs>. Joining me in the webinar were NIRMA President, Rebecca Wessman and Consultant, Rich Giska, a leader in Configuration Management (CM) and New Build guidance. The theme centered on the Nuclear Promise's Standard Design Process (SDP), a standard plant modification process used to promote efficient use of resources and streamlined engineering changes. SDP is one of the tools being used to accomplish the industry's ambitious goal of defining opportunities to achieve 30 percent reduction in costs, in aggregate, across the industry by 2018. This effort involves analyzing plant cost drivers and identifying opportunities to improve efficiency.

Toward this end, a survey conducted earlier this year by Idox EIM, in partnership with NIRMA, highlighted that 75% of

on the agenda at the NIRMA Conference earlier this year. The webinar looked in more detail at the five levels of the Design Change Maturity Model. From Level 1 “Paper everything”, progressing to Level 5 “Electronic everything.”

2) Provided insights essential for strategies and planning for the integration and deployment of the Standard Design Process (SDP) software.

The panelists explained that most operators are currently somewhere between Levels 1 and 5. With only 10% of respondents reaching level 5, there is clearly work to be done to get to that stage, but the model illustrated that it can be done in incremental steps and through making the most of existing processes and technologies as a starting point. Finishing on the “Anatomy of a Level 5,” the webinar showed what the ideal process looks like and offered strategies to start moving towards that.

3) An opportunity to share experiences on the transition from paper-based to automated processes.

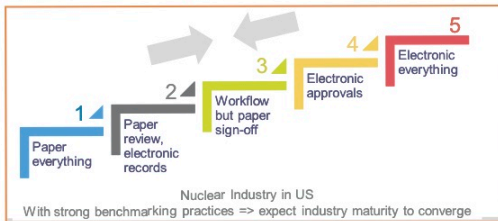
The webinar included an interchange with attendees where a number of insightful issues and questions were aired.

This was the second Idox EIM/NIRMA webinar and the latest in a series of initiatives undertaken in partnership with NIRMA this year, including delivery of an industry survey on this topic and the 40th Anniversary celebration.

For more information about the Nuclear Maturity Model, or any of the ideas presented in the webinar, please contact eim@idoxgroup.com or visit www.idoxgroup.com/eim Webinar: Top tips for achieving the Nuclear Promise.

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Nuclear Maturity Model



respondents thought there was a big opportunity to improve efficiencies in the process of implementing design changes. With this in mind, the panel addressed several key areas in the current application of document control and records management within the nuclear industry. The webinar included the following steps:

1) Demonstrations on how the Maturity Model, a new industry benchmarking practice, can guide business process, information management and technology improvement initiatives.

Panelists discussed how organizations can match themselves to stages on a Maturity Level Model and covered some techniques that can be implemented to progress to the next stage. The webinar team also gave a status update on the Standard Design Package (SDP) and how this approach can help to drive efficiencies to achieve the Nuclear Promise – a topic understandably high