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Peer Reviews

U.S. Department of Transportation

What are the government requirements?

Under revisions to the Information Quality Act, the Government has legal authority to conduct Peer Reviews

- · Peer reviews must be performed on "Influential" & "Highly Influential" research
- A panel must be formed and preside over the peer review
 Expertise
 - Balanced
- · Reviews should be held earlier vs. later in the research timeline
- Reviews must address the merit of the research
- Reviews must have transparency to the public
- Agency must officially comment and denote acceptance of the panel's findings
 Office of Pipeline Safety













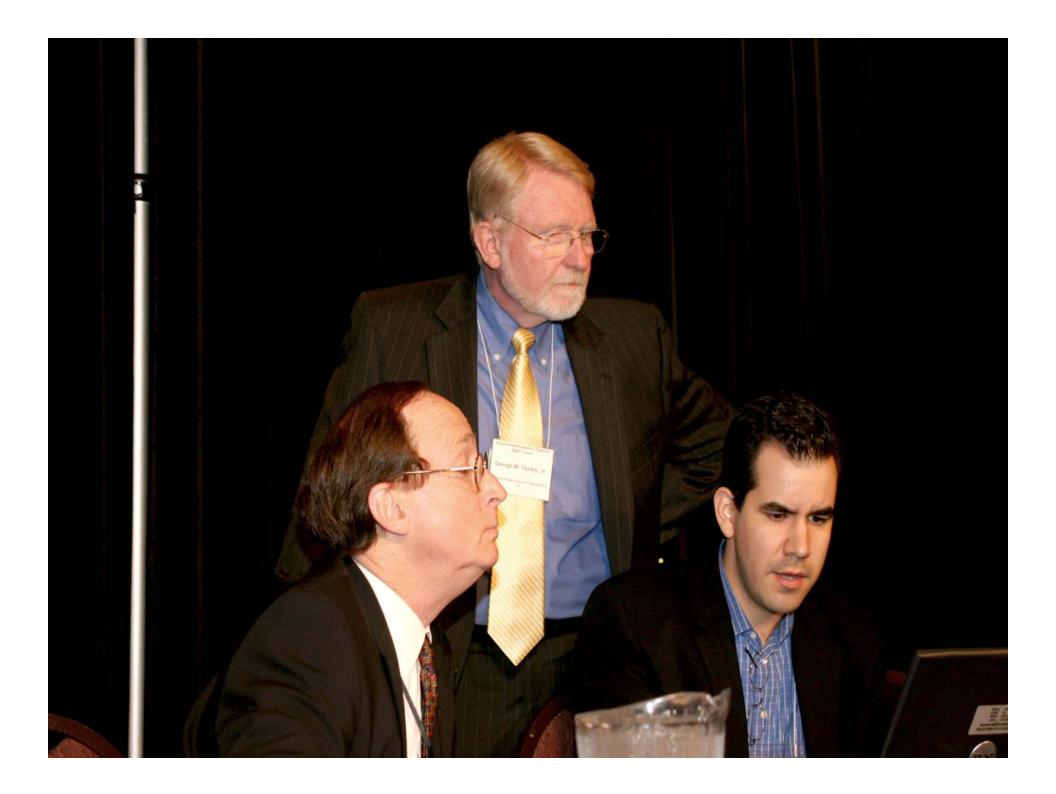
NYSEARCH/NGA Initiatives for Direct Assessment (DA)

Phase 2 DA Project

- ECDA Criteria Project
- RFP related to Difficult Applications of DA

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 NGA activity related to evolving Industry Standards











Recommended Future Research

- ILI methods for detecting gouges containing cracks
- ILI methods for quantifying the depth of gouges/cracks
- More objective techniques for establishing the severity of mechanical damage
- Enhanced failure assessment methods for prioritizing MD

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