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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2013-0124]

Proposed Revision to Strategies and Guidance to Address Loss of Large Areas of the Plant Due to Explosions and Fires

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Standard review plan-draft section revision; request for comment.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is soliciting public comment on NUREG-0800, "Standard Review Plan for the Review of Safety Analysis Reports for Nuclear Power Plants: LWR Edition," on a proposed Revision 0 to Standard Review Plan (SRP), Section 19.4 "Strategies and Guidance to Address Loss of Large Areas of the Plant due to Explosions and Fires." The current SRP does not contain guidance for staff review of the subject of loss-of-large areas of the plant due to explosions and fires.

DATES: Submit comments by **[INSERT DATE**: **30 DAYS FROM DATE OF PUBLICATIONS]**. Comments received after this date will be considered, if it is practical to do so, but the Commission is able to ensure consideration only for comments received on or before this date.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comment by any of the following methods (unless this document describes a different method for submitting comments on a specific subject):

Federal Rulemaking Web site: Go to http://www.regulations.gov and search for Docket ID NRC-2013-0124. Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher;

telephone: 301-492-3668; e-mail: Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov. For technical questions, contact the individual(s) listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this document.

Mail comments to: Cindy Bladey, Chief, Rules, Announcements, and Directives
 Branch (RADB), Office of Administration, Mail Stop: TWB-05-B01M, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory
 Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

For additional direction on accessing information and submitting comments, see "Accessing Information and Submitting Comments" in the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Joseph Colaccino, Branch Chief, Office of New Reactors, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; telephone: 301-415-7102, e-mail: doseph.Colaccino@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Accessing Information and Submitting Comments

A. Accessing Information

Please refer to Docket ID **NRC-2013-0124** when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this document. You may access information related to this document, which the NRC possesses and is publicly-available, by the following methods:

Federal Rulemaking Web site: Go to http://www.regulations.gov and search for Docket ID NRC-2013-0124.

• NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS):

You may access publicly-available documents online in the NRC Library at

http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html. To begin the search, select "ADAMS Public

Documents" and then select "Begin Web-based ADAMS Search." For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by e-mail to pdr.resource@nrc.gov. The SRP Section 19.4 is in ADAMS under Accession No. ML121110138.

 NRC's PDR: You may examine and purchase copies of public documents at the NRC's PDR, Room O1-F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

B. Submitting Comments

Please include Docket ID **NRC-2013-0124** in the subject line of your comment submission, in order to ensure that the NRC is able to make your comment submission available to the public in this docket.

The NRC cautions you not to include identifying or contact information that you do not want to be publicly disclosed in your comment submission. The NRC posts all comment submissions at http://www.regulations.gov as well as entering the comment submissions into ADAMS. The NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove identifying or contact information.

If you are requesting or aggregating comments from other persons for submission to the NRC, then you should inform those persons not to include identifying or contact information that they do not want to be publicly disclosed in their comment submission. Your request should state that the NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove such information

before making the comment submissions available to the public or entering the comment submissions into ADAMS.

II. Further Information

The NRC seeks public comment on a new SRP Section 19.4, "Strategies and Guidance to Address Loss-of-Large Areas of the Plant due to Explosions and Fires." This section has been developed to assist NRC staff with the review of applications for certain construction permits, early site permits, licenses, license amendments, and combined licenses. It also informs new reactor applicants and other affected entities of proposed SRP guidance regarding an acceptable method by which staff performs its review of the subject of loss of large areas of the plant due to explosions and fires. Following NRC staff evaluation of public comments, the NRC intends to incorporate the final approved guidance into the next revision of NUREG-0800.

The SRP is guidance for the NRC staff. The SRP is not a substitute for the NRC's regulations, and compliance with the SRP is not required. Accordingly, issuance of the SRP does not constitute "backfitting" as defined in 10 CFR 50.109(a)(1) of the backfit rule and is not otherwise inconsistent with the applicable issue finality provisions in 10 CFR Part 52.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 6 day of June 2013.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission,

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