

• *Mail:* Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attn: Darcel D. Gayle, NEOB, Room 10202, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503. We are still experiencing delays in the regular mail, including first class and express mail. To ensure that your comments are received, we recommend that comments on this draft report be electronically submitted.

All comments submitted in response to this notice will be made available to the public, including by posting them on OMB's Web site. For this reason, please do not include in your comments information of a confidential nature, such as sensitive personal information or proprietary information. The <http://www.regulations.gov> Web site is an "anonymous access" system, which means OMB will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Darcel D. Gayle, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, NEOB, Room 10202, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503. Telephone: (202) 395-3084.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Congress directed the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to prepare an annual Report to Congress on the Benefits and Costs of Federal Regulations. Specifically, section 624 of the FY 2001 Treasury and General Government Appropriations Act, also known as the "Regulatory Right-to-Know Act," (the Act) requires OMB to submit a report on the benefits and costs of Federal regulations together with recommendation for reform. The Act states that the report should contain estimates of the benefits and costs of regulations in the aggregate, by agency and agency program, and by major rule, as well as an analysis of impacts of Federal regulation on State, local, and tribal governments, small businesses, wages, and economic growth. The Act also states that the report should go through notice and comment and peer review.

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Deputy Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Advisory Committee for Geosciences; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting:

Name: Advisory Committee for Geosciences (1755).

Dates: October 14, 2009, 8:15 a.m.–5:15 p.m.

October 15, 2009, 8:30 a.m.–2 p.m.

Place: Stafford I, Room 1235, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, Virginia 22230.

Type of Meeting: Open.

Contact Person: Melissa Lane, National Science Foundation, Suite 705, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, Virginia 22230. Phone 703-292-8500.

Minutes: May be obtained from the contact person listed above.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice, recommendations, and oversight concerning support for research, education, and human resources development in the geosciences.

Agenda: October 14: Directorate activities and plans, SODV Briefing, Division Subcommittee Meetings, Education & Diversity Subcommittee Meeting, Meeting with the Director and Deputy Director.

October 15: Discussion of GEO International Activities, COV and Subcommittee Reports, Action Items/ Planning for Spring Meeting.

Dated: September 16, 2009.

Susanne Bolton,

Committee Management Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2009-0413]

Draft Regulatory Guide: Issuance, Availability

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of Issuance and Availability of Draft Regulatory Guide, DG-1225.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jerome Bettle, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, telephone: (301) 415-1314 or e-mail to Jerome.Bettle@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing for public comment a draft guide in the agency's "Regulatory Guide" series. This series

was developed to describe and make available to the public such information as methods that are acceptable to the NRC staff for implementing specific parts of the NRC's regulations, techniques that the staff uses in evaluating specific problems or postulated accidents, and data that the staff needs in its review of applications for permits and licenses.

The draft regulatory guide (DG), titled, "Instrument Lines Penetrating the Primary Reactor Containment," is temporarily identified by its task number, DG-1225, which should be mentioned in all related correspondence. DG-1225 is proposed Revision 1 of Regulatory Guide 1.11, dated March 1971.

General Design Criterion (GDC) 55, "Reactor Coolant Pressure Boundary Penetrating Containment," and GDC 56, "Primary Containment Isolation," of Appendix A, "General Design Criteria for Nuclear Power Plants," to Title 10, Part 50, "Domestic Licensing of Production and Utilization Facilities," of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR Part 50) require, in part, that each line that penetrates the primary reactor containment and that is part of the reactor coolant pressure boundary or connects directly to the containment atmosphere has at least one locked, closed isolation valve or one automatic valve inside and one automatic valve outside containment "unless it can be demonstrated that the containment isolation provisions for a specific class of lines, such as instrument lines, are acceptable on some other defined basis." This guide defines a basis that the staff of the NRC considers acceptable to implement GDC 55 and 56 with regard to instrument lines. This guide applies to all types of nuclear power plants.

II. Further Information

The NRC staff is soliciting comments on DG-1225. Comments may be accompanied by relevant information or supporting data and should mention DG-1225 in the subject line. Comments submitted in writing or in electronic form will be made available to the public in their entirety through the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS).

Personal information will not be removed from your comments. You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

1. *Mail comments to:* Rulemaking and Directives Branch, MS TWB 05 B01M, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.