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By order of the Commission.

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**Lisa R. Barton,**

*Secretary of the Commission.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Advisory Committee for International Science and Engineering; 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 International Science and Engineering (#25104).

**DATE AND TIME:** November 28, 2016; 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; November 29, 2016; 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** National Science Foundation, 4121 Wilson Boulevard, Stafford II, Suite 1155.01, Arlington, Virginia 22230.

**TYPE OF MEETING:** Part-Open.

**CONTACT PERSON:** Claire Hemingway, National Science Foundation, 4121 Wilson Boulevard, Stafford II, Suite 1155.77, Arlington, Virginia 22230; 703-292-7135.

**PURPOSE OF MEETING:** To provide advice, recommendations and counsel on major goals and policies pertaining to international programs and activities.

#### Agenda

*Monday, November 28, 2016 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.*

- Status of OISE program realignment
- Continuation of International Strategy for the NSF Big Ideas, including report out by OISE staff on Big Ideas working groups
- Follow up on Engagement with Africa session, reviewing list to be provided by Dr. Nkem Khumbah
- Engagement with China session, including discussion with Nancy Sung who will be present

- Analysis of the overseas offices (Closed Session)

*Tuesday, November 29, 2016 8:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.*

- Discussion of mission/vision of Countries and Regions Cluster
- Presentation on status of OISE data analytics
- Meet with NSF leadership

*Reason for Closing:* Session having to do with Analysis of Overseas Offices may properly be closed to the public under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), (2) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: October 7, 2016.

**Crystal Robinson,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards; Meeting of the ACRS Subcommittee on Metallurgy & Reactor Fuels; Cancellation of the October 21, 2016, ACRS Subcommittee Meeting

The ACRS Subcommittee meeting on Metallurgy & Reactor Fuels scheduled for October 21, 2016 (new date), 8:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m., has been cancelled.

The notice of this meeting was previously published in the **Federal Register** on Tuesday, October 4, 2016, (81 FR 68461).

Information regarding this meeting can be obtained by contacting Christopher Brown, Designated Federal Official (DFO) (Telephone 301-415-7111 or Email: [Christopher.Brown@nrc.gov](mailto:Christopher.Brown@nrc.gov)) between 7:30 a.m. and 5:15 p.m. (EST)).

Dated: October 5, 2016.

**Mark L. Banks,**

*Chief, Technical Support Branch, Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2015-0131]

### Site Characteristics and Site Parameters

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Standard Review Plan Section Revision; Issuance.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing a final

revision to Section 2.0, “Site Characteristics and Site Parameters” of NUREG-0800, “Standard Review Plan (SRP) for the Review of Safety Analysis Reports for Nuclear Power Plants: LWR Edition.”

**DATES:** The effective date of this SRP update is November 14, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2015-0131 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this document. You may access publicly-available information related to this document using any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking Web site:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2015-0131. Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher; telephone: 301-415-3463; email: [Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov](mailto:Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov). For technical questions, contact the individual listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document.

- *NRC’s Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS):* You may obtain publicly-available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection 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 email to [pdr.resource@nrc.gov](mailto:pdr.resource@nrc.gov). The ADAMS accession number for each document referenced in this notice (if that document is available in ADAMS) is provided the first time that a document is referenced. The final revision, previously issued draft revision for public use and comment, and redline strikeouts comparing the final revision with draft revision are available in ADAMS under the following Accession No(s). ML15279A105, ML15043A732, and ML15279A091.

- *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.

The NRC posts its issued staff guidance on the NRC’s external Web page (<http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/nuregs/staff/sr0800/>).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mark Notich, Office of New Reactors, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; telephone: 301-415-3053, email: [Mark.Notich@nrc.gov](mailto:Mark.Notich@nrc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

## I. Background

On May 27, 2015 (80 FR 30285), the NRC published for public comment a proposed revision of Section 2.0, "Site Characteristics and Site Parameters" of NUREG-0800, "Standard Review Plan (SRP) for the Review of Safety Analysis Reports for Nuclear Power Plants: LWR Edition." The staff received comments on the draft section. After consideration of comments received on the proposed revision, the NRC staff reformatted guidance for the review of nonsafety-related structures, systems, and components (SSCs) into a tabular format, and separated it from the core review guidance used for review of safety-related SSCs. A summary of comments received and the staff's disposition of the comments are available in a separate document entitled, "Response to Public Comments on Draft Standard Review Plan, Section 2, 'Site Characteristics and Site Parameters'" (ADAMS Accession No. ML15279A093).

## II. Backfitting and Issue Finality

Section 2 provides guidance to the staff for reviewing applications for a construction permit and an operating license under part 50 of title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) with respect to systems associated with site characteristics and site parameters. SRP Section 2 also provides guidance for reviewing an application for a standard design approval, a standard design certification, a combined license, and a manufacturing license under 10 CFR part 52 with respect to the same subject matters.

Issuance of this SRP section revision does not constitute backfitting as defined in 10 CFR 50.109 (the Backfit Rule) nor is it inconsistent with the issue finality provisions in 10 CFR part 52. The NRC's position is based upon the following considerations.

1. *The SRP positions would not constitute backfitting, inasmuch as the SRP is internal guidance to NRC staff.*

The SRP provides internal guidance to the NRC staff on how to review an application for NRC regulatory approval in the form of licensing. Changes in internal staff guidance are not matters for which either nuclear power plant applicants or licensees are protected under either the Backfit Rule or the issue finality provisions of 10 CFR part 52.

2. *The NRC staff has no intention to impose the SRP positions on existing licensees either now or in the future.*

The NRC staff does not intend to impose or apply the positions described in the SRP to existing licenses and

regulatory approvals. Hence, the issuance of this SRP—even if considered guidance within the purview of the issue finality provisions in 10 CFR part 52—does not need to be evaluated as if it were a backfit or as being inconsistent with issue finality provisions. If, in the future, the NRC staff seeks to impose a position in the SRP on holders of already issued licenses in a manner that does not provide issue finality as described in the applicable issue finality provision, then the staff must make the showing as set forth in the Backfit Rule or address the criteria for avoiding issue finality as described in the applicable issue finality provision.

3. *Backfitting and issue finality do not—with limited exceptions not applicable here—protect current or future applicants.*

Applicants and potential applicants are not, with certain exceptions, protected by either the Backfit Rule or any issue finality provisions under 10 CFR part 52. Neither the Backfit Rule nor the issue finality provisions under 10 CFR part 52—with certain exclusions—were intended to apply to every NRC action that substantially changes the expectations of current and future applicants.

The exceptions to the general principle are applicable whenever an applicant references a 10 CFR part 52 license (e.g., an early site permit) or NRC regulatory approval (e.g., a design certification rule) with specified issue finality provisions. The NRC staff does not, at this time, intend to impose the positions represented in the SRP in a manner that is inconsistent with any issue finality provisions. If, in the future, the staff seeks to impose a position in the SRP section in a manner that does not provide issue finality as described in the applicable issue finality provision, then the staff must address the criteria for avoiding issue finality as described in the applicable issue finality provision.

## III. Congressional Review Act

This action is a rule as defined in the Congressional Review Act (5 U.S.C. 801–808). However, the Office of Management and Budget has not found it to be a major rule as defined in the Congressional Review Act.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 11th day of October 2016.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Joseph Colaccino,**

*Chief, New Reactor Rulemaking and Guidance Branch, Division of Engineering, Infrastructure and Advanced Reactors, Office of New Reactors.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC–2012–0314; NRC–2013–0149; NRC–2014–0099; NRC–2014–0101]

### Conduct of Operations

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Standard review plan—final section revision; issuance.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing final revisions to Section 13.6.4, "Access Authorization—Operational Program;" Section 13.7, "Fitness-for-Duty;" Section 13.7.1, "Fitness-for-Duty—Operational Program;" Section 13.7.2, "Fitness for Duty—Construction;" and Section 13.6.3, "Physical Security—Operational Program—Early Site Permits and Reactor Siting Criteria;" of NUREG-0800, "Standard Review Plan for the Review of Safety Analysis Reports for Nuclear Power Plants: LWR Edition."

**DATES:** The effective date of these SRP section revisions is November 14, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** Please refer to Docket IDs NRC–2012–0314 for SRP Section 13.6.4, NRC–2013–0149 for SRP Sections 13.7 and 13.7.1, NRC–2014–0099 for SRP Section 13.7.2, and NRC–2014–0101 for SRP Section 13.6.3 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this document. You may obtain publicly-available information related to this document using any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking Web site:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket IDs NRC–2012–0314 (for SRP Section 13.6.4), NRC–2013–0149 (for SRP Sections 13.7 and 13.7.1), NRC–2014–0099 (for SRP Section 13.7.2), and NRC–2014–0101 (for SRP Section 13.6.3). Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher; telephone: 301–415–3463; email: [Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov](mailto:Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov). For technical questions, contact the individuals listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document.

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