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- *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.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Regulatory Guide 8.23 was published in January 1981 to provide guidance on the types and frequencies of surveys that are acceptable to the NRC staff for use in medical institutions to comply with part 20 of title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), "Standards for Protection Against Radiation."

The regulations in 10 CFR part 20 were revised after 1981 and became less prescriptive. As part of amending its regulations in 10 CFR part 20, several of the prescriptive survey requirements applicable to radiation protection programs were deleted. Therefore, the prescriptive guidance in RG 8.23 is no longer needed, and RG 8.23 is being withdrawn.

The NRC is withdrawing RG 8.23 because it is no longer needed. Withdrawal of a RG means that the guide no longer provides useful information or has been superseded by other guidance, technological innovations, congressional actions, or other events. The withdrawal of RG 8.23 does not alter any prior or existing NRC licensing approval or the acceptability of licensee commitments to RG 8.23. Although RG 8.23 is withdrawn, current licensees may continue to use it, and withdrawal does not affect any existing licenses or agreements. However, RG 8.23 should not be used in future

requests or applications for NRC licensing actions.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 1st day of August 2018.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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Chief, Regulatory Guidance and Generic Issues Branch, Division of Engineering, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2018-0092]

Standard Format and Content of Physical Security Plans, Training and Qualifications Plans and Safeguards Contingency Plans for Nuclear Power Plants

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Draft regulatory guide; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: On May 29, 2018, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) solicited comments on draft regulatory guide (DG), DG-5048, "Standard Format and Content of Physical Security Plans, Training and Qualifications Plans and Safeguards Contingency Plans for Nuclear Power Plants." The public comment period was originally scheduled to close on August 13, 2018. The NRC has decided to extend the public comment period by 30 days to allow more time for members of the public to develop and submit their comments.

DATES: The due date of comments requested in the document published on May 29, 2018 (83 FR 24510), is extended. Comments should be filed no later than September 13, 2018. 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 comments by any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking Website*: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2018-0092. Address questions about NRC dockets to Jennifer Borges; telephone: 301-287-9127; email: Jennifer.Borges@nrc.gov. For technical questions, contact the individuals listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document.

- *Mail comments to*: May Ma, Office of Administration, Mail Stop: TWFN-7A86, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory

Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

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

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments

A. Obtaining Information

Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2018-0092 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this action. You may obtain publically-available information related to this action, by any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking Website*: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2018-0092.

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- *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-2018-0092 in your comment submission. 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 enters 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. Background

On May 29, 2018 (83 FR 24510), the NRC solicited comments on DG-5048, "Standard Format and Content of Physical Security Plans, Training and Qualifications Plans and Safeguards Contingency Plans for Nuclear Power Plants" (ADAMS Accession No. ML17124A490). The NRC granted an initial extension of the public comment period to August 13, 2018, and the NRC held a public meeting on July 25, 2018. On July 26, 2018, the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) requested an additional 30 days extension to the public comment period to allow NEI and its members' sufficient time to perform a thorough review of the document, consistent with other work priorities (ADAMS Accession No. ML18208A473). The NRC has decided to extend the public comment period on this document until September 13, 2018, to allow more time for industry and members of the public to submit their comments.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 1st day of August 2018.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Thomas H. Boyce,

Chief, Regulatory Guidance and Generic Issues Branch, Division of Engineering, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2018-0056]

Digital Instrumentation and Controls—Interim Staff Guidance—06, "Licensing Process"

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Draft interim staff guidance; request for comment.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is soliciting public

comment on its draft Interim Staff Guidance (ISG) Digital Instrumentation and Controls (DI&C)—ISG-06, "Licensing Process." This ISG defines the licensing process used to support the review of license amendment requests (LARs) associated with safety-related DI&C equipment modifications in operating plants and in new plants once they become operational. This ISG provides guidance for activities performed before an LAR is submitted and for activities performed during the LAR review. The NRC staff uses the process described in this ISG to evaluate compliance with NRC regulations.

DATES: Submit comments by September 6, 2018. 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 before this date.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking Website:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2018-0056. Address questions about NRC dockets to Jennifer Borges; telephone: 301-287-9127; email: Jennifer.Borges@nrc.gov. For technical questions, contact the individual listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document.

- *Mail comments to:* May Ma, Office of Administration, Mail Stop: TWFN-7-A60M, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joseph Golla, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; telephone: 301-415-1002, email: Joe.Golla@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments

A. Obtaining Information

Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2018-0056 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information for this action. You may obtain publicly-available information related to this action by any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking Website:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2018-0056.

- *NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System*

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- *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-2018-0056 in your comment submission.

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II. Background

This ISG provides guidance for the NRC staff's review of LARs supporting installation of digital I&C equipment in accordance with licensing processes defined in NRC office instruction LIC-101, "License Amendment Review Procedures." This ISG identifies information the NRC staff should review for digital I&C equipment. This ISG provides guidance on when that information should be reviewed.

This ISG is designed to be used with the NRC's topical report review and approval process defined in NRC Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation office instruction LIC-500, "Topical Report Process." Where a licensee references an NRC-approved topical report, the NRC staff should be able to, where