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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

10 CFR Parts 21, 50, and 52

[NRC-2023-0166]

Regulatory Guide: Dedication of Commercial-Grade Items for Use in Nuclear Power Plants

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory

Commission.

**ACTION:** Final guide; issuance.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing Revision 1 to Regulatory Guide (RG) 1.164, "Dedication of Commercial-Grade Items for Use in Nuclear Power Plants." This RG describes methods that the staff of the NRC considers acceptable in meeting regulatory requirements for the dedication of commercial grade items and services used in nuclear power plants.

**DATES:** Revision 1 to RG 1.164 is available on April 29, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Please refer to Docket ID NRC–2023–0166 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 Website: Go to https://www.regulations.gov and search for Docket ID NRC-2023-0166. Address questions about Docket IDs in Regulations.gov to Stacy Schumann; telephone: 301-415-0624; email: Stacy.Schumann@nrc.gov. For technical questions, contact the individuals listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this document.
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Revision 1 to RG 1.164 and the regulatory analysis may be found in ADAMS under Accession Nos. ML24038A310 and ML23187A534, respectively.

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## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## I. Discussion

The NRC is issuing a revision in the NRC's "Regulatory Guide" series. This series was developed to describe methods that are acceptable to the NRC staff for implementing specific parts of the agency's regulations, to explain techniques that the staff uses in evaluating specific issues or postulated events, and to describe information that the staff needs in its review of applications for permits and licenses.

The proposed Revision 1 to RG 1.164 was issued with a temporary identification of Draft Regulatory Guide, (DG)–1415 (ADAMS Accession No. ML23187A531). This revision of the guide (Revision 1) updates the guidance to provide additional clarification on the NRC's definition of counterfeit, fraudulent, and suspect items. This revision also provides additional clarity on requirements applicable to the

dedication of commercial-grade items. In addition, the staff made several editorial changes to conform to the current format and content of RGs.

#### II. Additional Information

The NRC published notice of the availability of DG–1415 in the **Federal Register** on November 17, 2023 (88 FR 80195), for a 30-day public comment period. The public comment period closed on December 18, 2023. Public comments on DG–1415 and the staff responses to the public comments are available under ADAMS Accession No. ML24059A003.

As noted in the **Federal Register** on December 9, 2022 (87 FR75671), this document is being published in the "Rules" section of the **Federal Register** to comply with publication requirements under chapter I of title 1 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR).

#### III. Congressional Review Act

This RG 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.

# IV. Backfitting, Forward Fitting, and Issue Finality

Issuance of RG 1.164, Revision 1, does not constitute backfitting as defined in 10 CFR 50.109, "Backfitting," and as described in NRC Management Directive (MD) 8.4, "Management of Backfitting, Forward Fitting, Issue Finality, and Information Requests"; does not affect issue finality of any approval issued under 10 CFR part 52, "Licenses, Certifications, and Approvals for Nuclear Power Plants"; and does not constitute forward fitting as that term is defined and described in MD 8.4, because, as explained in RG 1.164, Revision 1, licensees would not be required to comply with the positions set forth in the RG.

## V. Submitting Suggestions for Improvement of Regulatory Guides

A member of the public may, at any time, submit suggestions to the NRC for improvement of existing RGs or for the development of new RGs. Suggestions can be submitted on the NRC's public website at <a href="https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/reg-guides/contactus.html">https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/reg-guides/contactus.html</a>. Suggestions will be

considered in future updates and enhancements to the "Regulatory Guide" series.

Dated: April 22, 2024.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

10 CFR Part 72

[NRC-2024-0034]

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List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: NAC International, Inc., NAC-UMS Universal Storage System, Certificate of Compliance No. 1015, Renewal of Initial Certificate and Amendment Nos. 1 Through 9

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory

Commission.

**ACTION:** Direct final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is amending its spent fuel storage regulations by revising the NAC International, Inc., NAC-UMS Universal Storage System listing within the "List of approved spent fuel storage casks" to renew the initial certificate and Amendment Nos. 1 through 9 of Certificate of Compliance No. 1015. The renewal of the initial certificate of compliance and Amendment Nos. 1 through 9 for 40 years changes the certificate's conditions and technical specifications to address aging management activities related to the structures, systems, and components important to safety of the dry storage system to ensure that these will maintain their intended functions during the period of extended storage operations.

DATES: This direct final rule is effective July 15, 2024 unless significant adverse comments are received by May 29, 2024. If the direct final rule is withdrawn as a result of such comments, timely notice of the withdrawal will be published in the Federal Register. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the NRC is able to ensure consideration only for comments received on or before this date. Comments received on this direct final rule will also be considered to be comments on a companion proposed rule published in the

Proposed Rules section of this issue of the **Federal Register**.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID NRC-2024-0034 at https://www.regulations.gov. If your material cannot be submitted using https://www.regulations.gov, call or email the individuals listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this document for alternate instructions.

You can read a plain language description of this direct final rule at https://www.regulations.gov/docket/NRC-2024-0034. 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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# I. Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments

## A. Obtaining Information

Please refer to Docket ID NRC–2024– 0034 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 https://www.regulations.gov and search for Docket ID NRC-2024-0034. Address questions about NRC dockets to Helen Chang, telephone: 301-415-3228, email: Helen.Chang@nrc.gov. For technical questions contact the individuals 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 https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html. To begin the search, 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. For the convenience of the reader, instructions about obtaining materials referenced in this document are provided in the "Availability of Documents" section.

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### B. Submitting Comments

The NRC encourages electronic comment submission through the Federal rulemaking website (https://www.regulations.gov). Please include Docket ID NRC-2024-0034 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 will post all comment submissions at <a href="https://www.regulations.gov">https://www.regulations.gov</a> as well as enter 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 into ADAMS.

## II. Rulemaking Procedure

This direct final rule is limited to the changes contained in the initial certificate and Amendment Nos. 1 through 9 to Certificate of Compliance (CoC) No. 1015 and does not include other aspects of NAC International, Inc., NAC–UMS Universal Storage System design. The NRC is using the "direct final rule procedure" to issue this renewal because this action represents a