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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory
 Commission (NRC) has issued for public
 comment a draft guide in the agency's
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 been 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, entitled
 "Qualification of Safety-Related Battery
 Chargers & Inverters for Nuclear Power
 Plants," is temporarily identified by its
 task number, DG-1148, which should be
 mentioned in all related
 correspondence.

The Commission's regulations in Title
 10, Part 50, of the *Code of Federal
 Regulations* (10 CFR part 50), "Domestic
 Licensing of Production and Utilization
 Facilities," require that structures,
 systems, and components that are
 important to safety in a nuclear power
 plant must be designed to accommodate
 the effects of environmental conditions
 [i.e., remain functional under postulated
 design-basis events (DBEs)]. Toward
 that end, the general requirements are
 contained in General Design Criteria 1,
 2, 4, and 23 of Appendix A, "General
 Design Criteria for Nuclear Power
 Plants," to 10 CFR part 50. Augmenting
 those general requirements, the specific
 requirements pertaining to qualification
 of certain electrical equipment

important to safety are contained in 10
 CFR 50.49, "Environmental
 Qualification of Electric Equipment
 Important to Safety for Nuclear Power
 Plants." In addition, Criterion III,
 "Design Control," of Appendix B,
 "Quality Assurance Criteria for Nuclear
 Power Plants," to 10 CFR part 50,
 requires that where a test program is
 used to verify the adequacy of a specific
 design feature, it should include
 suitable qualification testing of a
 prototype unit under the most severe
 DBE.

This regulatory guide describes a
 method that the NRC considers
 acceptable for use in implementing
 specific parts of the agency's regulations
 for qualification of safety-related battery
 chargers and inverters for nuclear power
 plants.

II. Further Information

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Comments would be most helpful if
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