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## **NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

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### **Final Regulatory Guide: Issuance, Availability**

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory  
Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of Issuance and  
Availability of Regulatory Guide (RG)  
1.65, Revision 1, "Materials and  
Inspections for Reactor Vessel Closure  
Studs."

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#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **I. Introduction**

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory  
Commission (NRC) is issuing a guide in  
the agency's "Regulatory Guide" series.  
This series was developed to describe  
and make available to the public  
information such as methods that are  
acceptable to the NRC staff for  
implementing specific parts of the  
agency'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.

RG 1.65, Revision 1, "Materials and  
Inspections for Reactor Vessel Closure  
Studs," was issued with a temporary  
identification as Draft Regulatory Guide,  
DG-1211. General Design Criterion  
(GDC) 1, "Quality Standards and  
Records," of Appendix A, "General  
Design Criteria for Nuclear Power  
Plants," to Title 10, of the *Code of  
Federal Regulations*, part 50, "Domestic  
Licensing of Production and Utilization  
Facilities" (10 CFR part 50), requires, in  
part, that "[s]tructures, systems, and  
components important to safety shall be  
designed, fabricated, erected, and tested  
to quality standards commensurate with  
the importance of the safety function to

be performed. Where generally  
recognized codes and standards are  
used, they shall be identified and  
evaluated to determine their  
applicability, adequacy, and sufficiency  
and shall be supplemented or modified  
as necessary to ensure a quality product  
in keeping with the required safety  
function."

GDC 30, "Quality of Reactor Coolant  
Pressure Boundary," requires, in part,  
that "[c]omponents that are part of the  
reactor coolant pressure boundary shall  
be designed, fabricated, erected, and  
tested to the highest practical quality  
standards."

GDC 31, "Fracture Prevention of  
Reactor Coolant Pressure Boundary,"  
requires, in part, that "[t]he reactor  
coolant pressure boundary shall be  
designed with sufficient margin to  
assure that when stressed under  
operating, maintenance, testing, and  
postulated accident conditions (1) the  
boundary behaves in a nonbrittle  
manner and (2) the probability of  
rapidly propagating fracture is  
minimized."

Appendix B, "Quality Assurance  
Criteria for Nuclear Power Plants and  
Fuel Reprocessing Plants," to 10 CFR  
part 50 requires, in part, that  
"[m]easures be established to assure that  
special processes, including welding,  
heat treating, and nondestructive  
testing, are controlled and accomplished  
by qualified personnel using qualified  
procedures in accordance with  
applicable codes, standards,  
specifications, criteria, and other special  
requirements."

##### **II. Further Information**

In April 2009, DG-1211 was issued  
for public comment. The public  
comment period closed on June 12,  
2009. The staff's responses to the public  
comments received are located in the  
NRC's Agencywide Documents Access  
and Management System under  
Accession Number ML092050752.  
Electronic copies of RG 1.65, Revision 1  
are available through the NRC's public  
Web site under "Regulatory Guides" at  
<http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/>.

In addition, regulatory guides are  
available for inspection at the NRC's  
Public Document Room (PDR) located at  
11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville,  
Maryland. The PDR's mailing address is  
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0001. The PDR can also be reached by  
telephone at (301) 415-4737 or (800)  
397-4205, by fax at (301) 415-3548, and  
by e-mail to [pdr.resource@nrc.gov](mailto:pdr.resource@nrc.gov).

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## **SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

### **Notice of Action Subject to Intergovernmental Review Under Executive Order 12372**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Small Business  
Administration.

**ACTION:** Notice of Action Subject to  
Intergovernmental Review Under  
Executive Order 12372.

**SUMMARY:** The Small Business  
Administration (SBA) is notifying the  
public that it intends to grant the  
pending applications of 22 existing  
Small Business Development Centers  
(SBDCs) for refunding on October 1,  
2010, subject to the availability of funds.  
Nine states do not participate in the EO  
12372 process; therefore, their addresses  
are not included. A short description of  
the SBDC program follows in the  
supplementary information below.

The SBA is publishing this notice at  
least 90 days before the expected  
refund date. The SBDCs and their  
mailing addresses are listed below in  
the address section. A copy of this  
notice also is being furnished to the  
respective State single points of contact  
designated under the Executive Order.  
Each SBDC application must be  
consistent with any area-wide small  
business assistance plan adopted by a  
State authorized agency.

**DATES:** A State single point of contact  
and other interested State or local  
entities may submit written comments  
regarding an SBDC refunding within 30  
days from the date of publication of this  
notice to the SBDC.

**ADDRESSES:**

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