

**PLACE:** Commissioners' Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

**STATUS:** Public and Closed.

**Week of September 24, 2012**

*Tuesday, September 25, 2012*

9:25 a.m. Affirmation Session (Public Meeting) (Tentative)

a. *Virginia Electric and Power Company d/b/a Dominion Virginia Power and Old Dominion Electric Cooperative* (North Anna Power Station, Unit 3); Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League's (BREDL) Petition for Review of CLI-12-14 (Tentative).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—[www.nrc.gov](http://www.nrc.gov).

9:30 a.m. Strategic Programmatic Overview of the New Reactors Business Line (Public Meeting) (Contact: Donna Williams, 301-415-1322).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—[www.nrc.gov](http://www.nrc.gov).

**Week of October 1, 2012—Tentative**

*Tuesday, October 2, 2012*

9:30 a.m. Strategic Programmatic Overview of the Nuclear Materials Users and Decommissioning and Low-Level Waste Business Lines (Public Meeting) (Contact: Kimiyata Morgan Butler, 301-415-0733).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—[www.nrc.gov](http://www.nrc.gov).

**Week of October 8, 2012—Tentative**

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of October 8, 2012.

**Week of October 15, 2012—Tentative**

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of October 15, 2012.

**Week of October 22, 2012—Tentative**

*Tuesday, October 23, 2012*

9:30 a.m. Strategic Programmatic Overview of the Spent Fuel Storage and Transportation and Fuel Facilities Business Lines (Public Meeting) (Contact: Kevin Mattern, 301-492-3221).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—[www.nrc.gov](http://www.nrc.gov).

**Week of October 29, 2012—Tentative**

*Tuesday, October 30, 2012*

9:30 a.m. Briefing on Fort Calhoun (Public Meeting) (Contact: Michael Hay, 817-200-1527).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—[www.nrc.gov](http://www.nrc.gov).

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\*The schedule for Commission meetings is subject to change on short

notice. To verify the status of meetings, call (recording)—301-415-1292.

Contact person for more information: Rochelle Baval, 301-415-1651.

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The NRC Commission Meeting Schedule can be found on the Internet at: <http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/public-meetings/schedule.html>.

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Dated: September 20, 2012.

**Rochelle C. Baval,**

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**NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

[NRC-2012-0065]

**Preoperational Testing of Instrument and Control Air Systems**

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Regulatory guide; issuance.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or Commission) is issuing Revision 1 to Regulatory Guide (RG) 1.68.3, "Preoperational Testing of Instrument and Control Air Systems." This regulatory guide is being revised to address new issues that have been raised since RG 1.68.3 was first issued. These include vibration testing of instrument and control air systems (ICAS) to meet seismic requirement, ICAS air-dryer testing to meet dew point design requirements, ICAS accumulator check valves and solenoid valves operating and testing experience, an

update to ISA S7.3 for acceptable industry standards for oil, water and particle matter in ICAS.

**ADDRESSES:** Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2012-0065 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this document. You may access information related to this document, which the NRC possesses and are publicly available, using any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking Web site:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2012-065. Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher; telephone: 301-492-3668; email: [Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov](mailto:Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov).

- *NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS):* You may access publicly available documents online in the NRC Library 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. Revision 1 of Regulatory Guide 1.68.3, is available in ADAMS under Accession No. ML12160A047. The regulatory analysis may be found in ADAMS under Accession No. ML12160A049.

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kurt Cozens, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, telephone: 301-415-7448; email: [Kurt.Cozens@nrc.gov](mailto:Kurt.Cozens@nrc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Introduction**

The NRC is issuing a revision to an existing guide in the NRC'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.

Revision 1 of RG1.68.3 was issued with a temporary identification as Draft Regulatory Guide, DG-1268. This guide describes methods and procedures the staff of the NRC considers acceptable to implement preoperational testing of the instrument and control air systems (ICAS) in a commercial nuclear power plant. Successful demonstration of the operability of the ICAS is one of the items required by Appendix A, "General Design Criteria for Nuclear Power Plants," in part 50 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR), "Domestic Licensing of Production and Utilization Facilities." This guide also describes the methods that the NRC staff finds acceptable for the initial test program for ICAS systems, structures, and components (SSCs) in accordance with the regulations in 10 CFR Part 52, "Licenses, Certifications, and Approvals for Nuclear Power Plants," Subpart B, "Standard Design Certifications," and Subpart C, "Combined Licenses."

**II. Further Information**

DG-1268, was published in the **Federal Register** on March 16, 2012 (77 FN 15813), for a 60-day public comment period. The public comment period closed on May 18, 2012. No public comments on DG-1268 were received; therefore no content changes were made during its conversion to a regulatory guide.

**III. Backfitting and Issue Finality**

Issuance of this final regulatory guide does not constitute backfitting as defined in 10 CFR 50.109 (the Backfit Rule) and is not otherwise inconsistent with the issue finality provisions in 10 CFR part 52. As discussed in the "Implementation" section of this regulatory guide, the NRC has no current intention to impose this regulatory guide on holders of current operating licenses or combined licenses.

This regulatory guide may be applied to applications for operating licenses and combined licenses docketed by the NRC as of the date of issuance of the final regulatory guide, as well as future applications for operating licenses and combined licenses submitted after the issuance of the regulatory guide. Such

action does not constitute backfitting as defined in 10 CFR 50.109(a)(1) or is otherwise inconsistent with the applicable issue finality provision in 10 CFR Part 52, inasmuch as such applicants or potential applicants are not within the scope of entities protected by the Backfit Rule or the relevant issue finality provisions in Part 52.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 17th day of September, 2012.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission,  
**Thomas H. Boyce,**  
*Chief, Regulatory Guide Development Branch,*  
*Division of Engineering, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research.*

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**OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT**

**Excepted Service**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice identifies Schedule A, B, and C appointing authorities applicable to a single agency that were established or revoked from July 1, 2012, to July 31, 2012.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Senior Executive Resources Services, Executive Resources and Employee Development, Employee Services, 202-606-2246.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with 5 CFR 213.103, Schedule A, B and C appointing authorities available for use by all agencies are codified in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). Schedule A, B and C appointing authorities applicable to a single agency are not codified in the CFR, but the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) publishes a notice of agency-specific authorities established or revoked each month in the **Federal Register** at [www.gpo.gov/fdsys/](http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/). OPM also publishes annually a consolidated listing of all Schedule A, B and C appointing authorities current as of June 30 as a notice in the **Federal Register**.

**Schedule A**

Schedule A authorities to report during July 2012.

75. Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars (Sch. A, 213.3175)

(a) One Asian Studies Program Administrator, one International Security Studies Program Administrator, one Latin American Program Administrator, one Russian Studies Program Administrator, one West European Program Administrator, one Environmental Change & Security Studies Program Administrator, one United States Studies Program Administrator, two Social Science Program Administrators, one Middle East Studies Program Administrator, one African Studies Program Administrator and one Global Sustainability and Resilience Program Administrator.

The following correction was made under Schedule A.

11. Department of Homeland Security (Sch. A, 213.3211)

(e) Papago Indian Agency—Not to exceed 25 positions of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Tactical Officers (Shadow Wolves) in the Papago Indian Agency in the State of Arizona when filled by the appointment of persons of one-fourth or more Indian blood. (Formerly 213.3105(b)(9))

**Schedule B**

Schedule B authorities to report during July 2012.

11. Department of Homeland Security (Sch. B, 213.3211)

(b) Secret Service—Positions concerned with the protection of the life and safety of the President and members of his immediate family, or other persons for whom similar protective services are prescribed by law, when filled in accordance with special appointment procedures approved by OPM. Service under this authority may not exceed:

- (1) A total of 4 years; or
- (2) 120 days following completion of the service required for conversion under Executive Order 11203. (Formerly 213.3205(d)).

**Schedule C**

Agency name	Organization name	Position title	Authorization No.	Effective date
Department of Agriculture .....	Farm Service Agency .....	State Executive Director .....	DA120089	7/3/2012
	Office of Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment.	Staff Assistant .....	DA120091	7/6/2012
	Office of the Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations.	Special Assistant .....	DA120092	7/6/2012
Department of Commerce .....	Office of the Chief of Staff .....	Director of Advance .....	DC120134	7/3/2012
	Office of Under Secretary .....	Deputy Chief of Staff .....	DC120129	7/10/2012