

Alternative Use of Resources

There are no unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources under the proposed action.

Agencies and Persons Consulted

On January 11, 2017, the NRC staff consulted with the Georgia State official, Mr. B. Simonton, Georgia Environmental Protection Division, regarding the environmental impact of the proposed action. The state official had no comments.

III. Finding of No Significant Impact

The licensee has requested license amendments pursuant to 10 CFR 50.54(q) to adopt a fleet-wide SEP, with a specific annex, for Edwin I. Hatch, Unit 1 and 2. The NRC is considering issuing the requested amendments. The proposed action would not significantly affect plant safety, would not have a significant adverse effect on the probability of an accident occurring, and would not have any significant radiological and non-radiological

impacts. The reason the environment would not be significantly affected is because the proposed changes would only result in minor changes in staffing levels and associated vehicular traffic, along with a small increase in air pollutant emissions. This FONSI incorporates by reference the EA in Section II of this notice. Therefore, the NRC concludes that the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment. Accordingly, the NRC has determined not to prepare an environmental impact statement for the proposed action.

The related environmental document is the “Generic Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear Plants: Regarding Edwin I. Hatch Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2, Final Report,” NUREG–1437, Supplement 4. NUREG–1437, Supplement 4 provides the latest environmental review of current operations and description of environmental conditions at Hatch.

The finding and other related environmental documents may be examined, and/or copied for a fee, at the NRC’s Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852. Publicly-available records will be accessible electronically from ADAMS Public Electronic Reading Room on the Internet at the NRC’s Web site: <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

Persons who do not have access to ADAMS or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS should contact the NRC’s PDR Reference staff by telephone at 1–800–397–4209 or 301–415–4737, or send an email to pdr.resource@nrc.gov.

IV. Availability of Documents

The documents identified in the following table are available to interested persons through one or more of the following methods, as indicated.

Document	ADAMS Accession No./ Web link/ Federal Register Citation
Southern Nuclear Operating Company, License Amendment Request for Adoption of Standard Emergency Plan, Dated August 31, 2015.	ML15246A045
Southern Nuclear Operating Company, Response to Request For Additional Information Regarding License Amendment Request for Adoption of Standard Emergency Plan, Dated February 17, 2016.	ML16060A283
Southern Nuclear Operating Company, Response to Request For Additional Information Regarding License Amendment Request for Adoption of Standard Emergency Plan, Dated April 8, 2016.	ML16105A194
Southern Nuclear Operating Company, Corrected Response to Request For Additional Information Regarding License Amendment Request for Adoption of Standard Emergency Plan, Dated May 26, 2016.	ML16147A294
Southern Nuclear Operating Company, Response to Request For Additional Information Regarding License Amendment Request for Adoption of Standard Emergency Plan, Dated June 9, 2016.	ML16167A468
Southern Nuclear Operating Company, Letter RE: Standard Emergency Plan Implementation Date, Dated November 2, 2016.	ML16307A404
NUREG–1437, Supplement 4, Generic Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear Plants Edwin I. Hatch Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2, Final Report, Dated May 2001.	ML011420018

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 9th day of February 2017.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC–2017–0001]

Sunshine Act Meeting Notice

DATE: Weeks of February 20, 27, March 6, 13, 20, 27, 2017.

PLACE: Commissioners’ Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

STATUS: Public and Closed.

Week of February 20, 2017

Thursday, February 23, 2017

9:30 a.m. Joint Meeting of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (Public Meeting) (Contact: Denise McGovern)

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov/>.

Week of February 27, 2017—Tentative

Wednesday, March 1, 2017

10:00 a.m. Briefing on NRC International Activities (Closed Ex. 1 & 9)

Thursday, March 2, 2017

9:00 a.m. Strategic Programmatic Overview of the Fuel Facilities and

the Nuclear Materials Users Business Lines (Public Meeting) (Contact: Soly Soto; 301–415–7528)

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov/>.

Week of March 6, 2017—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of March 6, 2017.

Week of March 13, 2017—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of March 13, 2017.

Week of March 20, 2017—Tentative

Thursday, March 23, 2017

9:00 a.m. Hearing on Combined Licenses for North Anna Nuclear Plant, Unit 3: Section 189a. of the Atomic Energy Act Proceeding (Public Meeting) (Contact: James Shea: 301–415–1388)

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov/>.

Friday, March 24, 2017

10:00 a.m. Briefing on the Annual Threat Environment (Closed Ex. 1)

Week of March 27, 2017—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of March 27, 2017.

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The schedule for Commission meetings is subject to change on short notice. For more information or to verify the status of meetings, contact Denise McGovern at 301-415-0981 or via email at Denise.McGovern@nrc.gov.

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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: February 15, 2017.

Denise L. McGovern,

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2017-0042]

Guidance for the Application of the Theft and Diversion Design-Basis Threat for Category I Fuel Cycle Facilities

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Regulatory guide; issuance.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing Revision 1 to Regulatory Guide (RG) 5.70, “Guidance for the Application of the Theft and Diversion Design-Basis Threat for Category I Fuel Cycle Facilities.” This regulatory guide provides methods that the NRC staff finds acceptable for an applicant or licensee to meet the requirements of the underlying NRC’s regulations. Revision 1 of RG 5.70 contains clarifying information regarding technical matters and rule language, administrative changes, and lessons learned from inspection activities, operating experience, and current threat data.

DATES: Revision 1 to RG 5.70 is available on February 17, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Revision 1 to RG 5.70 contains classified information. Therefore, this RG is being withheld from public disclosure, but is available to those affected licensees and cleared stakeholders who qualify for access and have a demonstrated need to know. For access to RG 5.70, contact the individuals listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William Gott, Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response, telephone: 301-287-9256, email: William.Gott@nrc.gov; or Mekonen Bayssie, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, telephone: 301-415-1699, email: Mekonen.Bayssie@nrc.gov. Both are staff of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

Alternatively, you may make suggestions or comments on RG 5.70 via email to: RegulatoryGuideDevelopment.Branch.Resource@nrc.gov. Please do not include any potentially classified or sensitive information in your email.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Discussion

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 regarding methods that are acceptable to the NRC staff for implementing specific parts of the agency’s regulations, techniques that the NRC staff uses in evaluating specific issues or postulated events, and data that the NRC staff needs in its review of applications for permits and licenses.

Regulatory Guide 5.70 contains classified information. This RG is being withheld from public disclosure, but is available to those affected licensees and cleared stakeholders who qualify for

access and have a demonstrated need to know.

II. Additional Information

The NRC did not announce the availability for comment on the draft guide because the guide contains classified information. Instead, the NRC transmitted the draft guide for comment to cleared stakeholders who demonstrated a need-to-know in a memorandum (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML16007A604) on January 4, 2016. Nonetheless, the NRC is issuing this notice to inform the public of the issuance of the final RG.

The stakeholders’ comment period closed on March 19, 2016. The NRC received comments from four stakeholders. The comments and the associated comment resolutions contain classified information and are not available to the public. These comment resolutions can be obtained by those who have a demonstrated need-to-know and are cleared to access classified information. For access to RG 5.70, contact the individuals listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

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

This regulatory guide provides guidance on the application of the design basis threat to the design and implementation of physical protection systems and programs required to meet the requirements set forth in 10 CFR 73.45 and 10 CFR 73.46. The regulatory guide provides methods that the NRC staff finds acceptable for an applicant or licensee to meet the requirements of the underlying NRC regulations. The issuance of the guidance in this regulatory guide is not backfitting, as that term is defined in 10 CFR 70.76, because security is not included within the scope of the NRC’s backfitting protection.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 10th day of February, 2017.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Harriet Karagiannis,

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

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