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## II. Additional Information

The NRC is issuing for public comment a DG in the NRC's "Regulatory Guide" series. This series was developed to describe and make available to the public and the regulated community 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.

This DG, entitled, "Applications of Bioassay for Uranium," is temporarily identified by its task number, DG-8054. Draft regulatory guide, DG-8054 is a proposed revision to the NRC Regulatory Guide (RG) 8.11, "Applications of Bioassay for Uranium," (Revision 1 of RG 8.11).

The NRC issued RG 8.11 in June 1974 to provide guidance to NRC licensees on methods of uranium bioassay that the NRC staff found acceptable to demonstrate compliance with the then-current version of NRC's radiation protection regulations in part 20 of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), "Standards for Protection against Radiation." In a 1991 rulemaking, the NRC promulgated amendments to its radiation protection regulations in 10 CFR part 20 (May 21, 1991; 56 FR 23360). As such, DG-8054 cross-references to the relevant sections of the current 10 CFR part 20 regulations. In addition, DG-8054 endorses for use certain sections of a voluntary consensus standard, namely, the American National Standards Institute/Health Physics Society (ANSI/HPS) N13.22-2013 standard, "Bioassay Programs for Uranium," as a means for licensees to demonstrate compliance with the NRC regulations, 10 CFR 20.1201, "Occupational Dose Limits for Adults," and 10 CFR 20.1204, "Determination of Internal Exposure." Specifically, 10 CFR 20.1201(e) requires NRC licensees to limit the soluble uranium intake to an occupational worker to 10 milligrams in a week, in addition to annual occupational dose limits, and 10 CFR 20.1204(a) requires NRC licensees to take suitable and timely measurements of the concentrations of radioactive materials

in air in work areas and the quantities of radionuclides in the bodies of occupational workers. Finally, DG-8054 identifies the bioassay interpretation methods in the NRC document NUREG/CR-4884, "Interpretation of Bioassay Measurement," as an acceptable method to comply with NRC requirements.

## III. Backfitting and Issue Finality

This DG, if finalized, would apply to current and future holders of special nuclear material licenses under 10 CFR part 70 and certificates of compliance or approvals of a compliance plan for gaseous diffusion plants under 10 CFR part 76 if they are also applicants for or holders of special nuclear materials licenses under 10 CFR part 70. If DG-8054 is finalized and issued as a revision to RG 8.11, such issuance would not constitute backfitting under 10 CFR parts 70 or 76. As stated in the "Implementation" section of DG-8054, the NRC has no current intention to impose this regulatory guide on current holders of part 70 licenses or part 76 certificates of compliance.

This DG, if finalized as a revision to RG 8.11, could be applied to applications for part 70 licenses and part 76 certificates of compliance docketed by the NRC as of the date of issuance of the revised RG 8.11, as well as future such applications submitted after the issuance of the revised RG 8.11. Such action would not constitute backfitting as defined in 10 CFR 70.76 and 76.76 inasmuch as such applicants or potential applicants are not within the scope of entities protected by 10 CFR 70.76 and 76.76.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 30th day of September, 2014.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2013-0264]

### Standard Format and Content for a License Application for an Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation or a Monitored Retrievable Storage Facility

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Regulatory guide; issuance.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing a revision

to Regulatory Guide (RG) 3.50, "Standard Format and Content for a License Application for an Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation or a Monitored Retrievable Storage Facility." This guide provides a format that the NRC staff considers acceptable for submitting the information for license applications to store spent nuclear fuel, high-level radioactive waste, and reactor-related Greater than Class C (GTCC) waste.

**ADDRESSES:** Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2013-0264 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 Web site:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2014-0021. Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher; telephone: 301-287-3422; email: [Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov](mailto:Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov). For technical questions, contact the individual(s) listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document.

- *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 2 of Regulatory Guide 3.50 is available in ADAMS under Accession No. ML14043A080. The regulatory analysis may be found in ADAMS under Accession No. ML12087A039.

- *NRC's PDR:* You may examine and purchase copies of public documents at the NRC's PDR, Room O1-F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

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Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

#### 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 2 of RG 3.50 provides a format that the NRC considers acceptable for submitting the information for license applications to store spent nuclear fuel, high-level radioactive waste, and/or reactor-related GTCC waste. Part 72 of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), "Licensing Requirements for the Independent Storage of Spent Nuclear Fuel, High-Level Radioactive Waste, and Reactor-Related Greater Than Class C Waste" Subpart B, "License Application, Form, and Contents," specifies the information that must be in an application for a license to store spent nuclear fuel, high-level radioactive waste, and/or power-reactor-related GTCC waste in an independent spent fuel storage installation (ISFSI) or in a monitored retrievable storage (MRS) facility.

##### II. Additional Information

The NRC issued the draft version of Revision 2 of RG 3.50 with a temporary identification as draft regulatory guide (DG), DG-3042, and published notice of its issuance in the **Federal Register** on December 6, 2013 (78 FR 73566) for a 30-day public comment period. The public comment period closed on January 24, 2014. Public comments on DG-3042 and the staff responses to the public comments are available under ADAMS Accession Number ML14043A068.

##### 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 and Issue Finality

This RG provides guidance on one possible means for meeting the NRC's regulatory requirements in 10 CFR part 72 regarding the format and content for

license applications for an ISFSI or MRS. This regulatory guide may be applied to license applications for ISFSIs and MRSs docketed by the NRC as of the date of issuance of the final regulatory guide, as well as future applications for such licenses submitted after the issuance of the regulatory guide.

This regulatory guide does not constitute backfitting as defined in 10 CFR 72.62(a). The subject matter of this regulatory guide does not concern matters dealing with either the structures, systems, or components of an ISFSI or MRS, or the procedures or organization for operating an ISFSI or MRS. Therefore, the matters addressed in this draft regulatory guide are not within the scope of the backfitting provisions in § 72.62(a)(1) or (2).

This regulatory guide does not apply to entities protected by issue finality provisions in 10 CFR part 52 with respect to the matters addressed in this regulatory guide. Although part 52 combined license applicants and holders may apply for specific ISFSI licenses, the guidance in this regulatory guide is directed to ISFSI applicants and does not make a distinction between ISFSI applicants who are also combined license applicants or holders and ISFSI applicants who are not combined license applicants and holders, and presents no more onerous guidance for ISFSI applicants who are also combined license applicants or holders versus ISFSI applicants who are not combined license applicants and holders. Accordingly, the NRC concludes that this regulatory guide is not inconsistent with any part 52 issue finality provisions.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 30th day of September, 2014.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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#### NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

**[Docket Nos. 50-387, 50-388, and 72-28; NRC-2014-0211]**

#### **Susquehanna Steam Electric Station, Units 1 and 2; Consideration of Approval of Transfer of Licenses and Conforming Amendments**

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Application for indirect transfer of license; opportunity to comment, request a hearing, and petition for leave to intervene; order.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) received and is considering approval of an application filed by PPL Susquehanna, LLC (PPL Susquehanna) on July 11, 2014. The application seeks NRC approval of the indirect transfer of NPF-14 and NPF-22 for Susquehanna Steam Electric Station, Units 1 and 2 (SSES), as well as the general license for the SSES Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation, from the current holder, PPL Corporation to Talen Energy Corporation. The NRC is also considering amending the combined licenses for administrative purposes to reflect the proposed transfer.

**DATES:** Comments must be filed by November 5, 2014. A request for a hearing must be filed by October 27, 2014. Any potential party as defined in Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) 2.4 who believes access to Sensitive Unclassified Non-Safeguards Information (SUNSI) is necessary to respond to this notice must request document access by October 16, 2014.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by any of the following methods (unless this document describes a different method for submitting comments on a specific subject):

- *Federal rulemaking Web site:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2014-0211. Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher; telephone: 301-287-3422; email: [Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov](mailto:Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov). For technical questions contact the individual listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document.

- *Email comments to:*

[Hearingdocket@nrc.gov](mailto:Hearingdocket@nrc.gov). If you do not receive an automatic email reply confirming receipt, then contact us at 301-415-1677.

- *Fax comments to:* Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission at 301-415-1101.

- *Mail comments to:* Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, ATTN: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff.

- *Hand deliver comments to:* 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852, between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. (Eastern Time) Federal workdays; telephone: 301-415-1677.

For additional direction on accessing information and submitting comments, see "Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments" in the