

II. Discussion

The table in this notice includes the plant name, docket number, licensee, and ADAMS accession numbers for the final EA and FONSI determination for the individual ISFSI. The table also includes the ADAMS accession

numbers for other relevant documents, including the initial and updated DFP submittal. For further details with respect to this action, see the NRC staff's final EA and FONSI determination which is available for public inspection in ADAMS and at [https://](https://www.regulations.gov)

www.regulations.gov under Docket ID NRC–2025–0069. For additional direction on accessing information related to this document, see the **ADDRESSES** section of this document.

III. Finding of No Significant Impact

Facility:

Wolf Creek Generating Station.	
Docket No	72–79
Licensee	Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation (WCNOC)
Proposed Action	The NRC's review and approval of WCNOC's initial and updated DFPs submitted in accordance with 10 CFR 72.30 (b) and (c).
Environmental Impact of Proposed Action	The NRC staff has determined that the proposed action, the review and approval of WCNOC's initial and updated DFPs, submitted in accordance with 10 CFR 72.30(b) and (c), will not authorize changes to licensed operations or maintenance activities, or result in changes in the types, characteristics, or quantities of radiological or non-radiological effluents released into the environment from the ISFSI, or result in the creation of solid waste. Moreover, the approval of the initial and updated DFPs will not authorize any construction activity, facility modification, or other land-disturbing activity. The NRC staff has concluded that the proposed action is a procedural and administrative action that will not have a significant impact on the environment.
Finding of No Significant Impact	The proposed action does not require changes to the ISFSI's licensed routine operations, maintenance activities, or monitoring programs, nor does it require new construction or land-disturbing activities. The scope of the proposed action concerns only the NRC's review and approval of WCNOC's initial and updated DFPs. The scope of the proposed action does not include, and will not result in, the review and approval of decontamination or decommissioning activities or license termination for the ISFSI or for other parts of Wolf Creek Generating Station (WCGS). Therefore, the NRC staff determined that approval of the initial and updated DFPs for the WCGS ISFSI will not significantly affect the quality of the human environment, and accordingly, the staff has concluded that a FONSI is appropriate. The NRC staff further finds that preparation of an environmental impact statement is not required.
Available Documents	U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission. Review of the Draft EA and FONSI for the Wolf Creek Generating Station ISFSI DFP, dated February 7, 2025 (ADAMS Accession No. ML25028A139). U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission. ESA Section 7 No Effect Determination for ISFSI DFP Reviews (Note to File), dated May 15, 2017 (ADAMS Accession No. ML17135A062). U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission. Final EA and FONSI for WCNOC's Initial and Updated DFPs Submitted in Accordance with 10 CFR 72.30(b) and (c) for Wolf Creek Generating Station, dated July 31, 2025 (ADAMS Accession No. ML25066A170). Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation. DFPs for ISFSIs, dated October 26, 2021 (ADAMS Accession No. ML21299A029). Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation. Triennial DFPs for ISFSIs, dated October 28, 2024 (ADAMS Accession No. ML24302A307).

Dated: August 7, 2025.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC–2024–0161]

Regulatory Guide: Qualification of Fiber-Optic Cables, Connections, and Optical Fiber Splices for Use in Safety Systems for Production and Utilization Facilities

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Final guide; issuance.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing a new Regulatory Guide (RG) 1.257, “Qualification of Fiber-Optic Cables, Connections, and Optical Fiber Splices for Use in Safety Systems for Production and Utilization Facilities.” This RG describes an approach that is acceptable to the staff of the NRC for use in complying with the NRC's regulations that address the environmental qualification of fiber-optic cables, connections, and optical fiber splices in safety systems in production and utilization facilities. This RG endorses, subject to the conditions described in Section C of the RG, the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Standard 1682–2023, “IEEE Standard for Qualifying Fiber Optic Cables, Connections, and Optical Fiber Splices for Use in Safety Systems in Nuclear Power Generating Stations.”

DATES: Revision 0 to RG 1.257 is available on August 12, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Please refer to Docket ID NRC–2024–0161 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 website:** Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC–2024–0161. Address questions about Docket IDs in *Regulations.gov* to Bridget Curran; telephone: 301–415–1003; email: Bridget.Curran@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 obtain publicly available documents online in the

ADAMS Public Documents collection at <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To begin the search, select “Begin ADAMS Public Search.” For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC’s Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1–800–397–4209, at 301–415–4737, or by email to PDR.Resource@nrc.gov. The ADAMS accession number for each document referenced (if it is available in ADAMS) is provided the first time that it is mentioned in this document.

- **NRC’s PDR:** The PDR, where you may examine and order copies of publicly available documents, is open by appointment. To make an appointment to visit the PDR, please send an email to PDR.Resource@nrc.gov or call 1–800–397–4209 or 301–415–4737, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. eastern time (ET), Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Revision 0 to RG 1.257 and the regulatory analysis may be found in ADAMS under Accession Nos. ML25052A253 and ML24201A069, respectively.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Discussion

The NRC is issuing a new guide in the NRC’s “Regulatory Guide” series. This series was developed to describe methods that are acceptable to the NRC staff for implementing specific parts of the agency’s regulations, to explain techniques that the staff uses in evaluating specific issues or postulated events, and to describe information that the staff needs in its review of applications for permits and licenses.

RG 1.257 was issued with a temporary identification of Draft Regulatory Guide, (DG)-1427 (ADAMS Accession No. ML24201A068).

II. Additional Information

The NRC published a notice of the availability of DG–1427 in the **Federal Register** on October 29, 2024 (89 FR 85889) for a 30-day public comment period. The public comment period closed on November 29, 2024. Public comments on DG–1427 and the staff

responses to the public comments are available in ADAMS under Accession No. ML25052A132.

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 meet the criteria at 5 U.S.C. 804(2).

IV. Backfitting, Forward Fitting, and Issue Finality

Issuance of RG–1.257, Revision 0 does not constitute backfitting as defined in section 50.109 of title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), “Backfitting,” and as described in NRC Management Directive (MD) 8.4, “Management of Backfitting, Forward Fitting, Issue Finality, and Information Requests”; affect “issue finality of any approval issued under 10 CFR part 52, “Licenses, Certificates, and Approvals for Nuclear Power Plants”; or constitute forward fitting as defined in MD 8.4, because, as explained in this RG, licensees would not be required to comply with the positions set forth in this RG.

V. Submitting Suggestions for Improvement of Regulatory Guides

A member of the public may, at any time, submit suggestions to the NRC for improvement of existing RGs or for the development of new RGs. Suggestions can be submitted on the NRC’s public website at <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/reg-guides/contactus.html>. Suggestions will be considered in future updates and enhancements to the “Regulatory Guide” series.

VI. Executive Order (E.O.) 12866

The Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs determined that this RG is not a significant regulatory action under E.O. 12866.

(Authority: 42 U.S.C. 2011 *et seq.*)

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For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC–2023–0075]

Abnormal Occurrence Reporting

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Policy statement; issuance.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing a limited revision to its policy statement on reporting abnormal occurrences (AOs) to Congress. The revised policy statement provides more specific language to the medical event criteria to better identify those incidents and events that the Commission considers significant from the standpoint of public health or safety. The revised AO criteria contain additional language to add clarity, helping to delineate abnormal occurrence events from nonreportable events which may have been reviewed under the previous criteria.

DATES: The policy statement is effective on August 12, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Please refer to Docket ID NRC–2023–0075 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information for this action. You may obtain publicly available information related to this action by any of the following methods:

- **Federal Rulemaking website:** Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC–2023–0075. Address questions about NRC dockets to Helen Chang; telephone: 301–415–3228; email: Helen.Chang@nrc.gov. For technical questions, contact the individual listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document.

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