#### **Conclusions**

The weighted two-dosimeter algorithm, described in this RIS, provides an acceptably conservative estimate of  $EDE_{ex}$ . The TEDE based on  $EDE_{ex}$  using this algorithm in accordance with its associated limitations is acceptable.

When recording or reporting doses in situations in which the  $\rm EDE_{\rm ex}$  is assessed instead of the DDE, the value of the  $\rm EDE_{\rm ex}$  is entered in place of the DDE in recording or reporting forms, such as NRC Forms 4 or 5.

#### References

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## **Backfit Discussion**

This RIS does not require any action nor written response nor require any modification to plant structures, systems, components, or design; therefore, the staff did not perform a backfit analysis.

#### Federal Register Notice

A notice of opportunity for public comment was published in the **Federal Register**.

## **Paperwork Reduction Act Statement**

This RIS does not require any action nor written response nor require any modification to plant structures, systems, components, or design; therefore, the staff did not perform a backfit analysis.

# **Paperwork Reduction Act Statement**

This RIS does not request any information collection.

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Commission staff estimates that, on average, a fund spends approximately 2.5 hours on complying with the paperwork requirements listed above each time it undertakes a security repurchase under the rule. The total annual burden of the rule's paperwork requirements thus is estimated to be 330 hours.

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Please direct your written comments to Kenneth A. Fogash, Acting Associate Executive Director/CIO, Office of Information Technology, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 5th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549.

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