

information. They do not represent new NRC staff positions.

#### Guidelines for Voltage Drop Calculations

(a) The plant voltage analysis, while supplied from the transmission network, should be based on the operating voltage range of the transmission network connection. This transmission owner/operator supplied voltage range should address all transmission network and plant system operating configurations and should also include voltage drop due to the bounding worst case transmission system contingency (transmission system contingencies include trip of the nuclear power unit).

(b) Separate analyses should be performed assuming the power source to the safety buses is (1) the unit auxiliary transformer; (2) the startup transformer; and (3) other available connections (*e.g.*, from all available connections) to the offsite network one by one assuming the need for electric power is initiated by (1) an anticipated transient such as a unit trip (*e.g.*, anticipated operational occurrence), or (2) an accident, whichever presents the bounding load demand on the power source.

(c) For multi-unit stations, a separate analysis should be performed for each unit assuming (1) an accident in the unit being analyzed and simultaneous shutdown of all other units at the station; or (2) an anticipated transient (anticipated operational occurrence) in the unit being analyzed (*e.g.*, unit trip) and simultaneous shutdown of all other units at that station, whichever presents the largest load situation.

(d) All actions the electric power system is designed to automatically initiate should be assumed to occur as designed (*e.g.*, automatic bulk or sequential loading or automatic transfers of bulk loads from one transformer to another and automatic starts of components). All non safety related plant auxiliary loads should be included, as applicable, in the plant loading studies.

(e) Manual load shedding should not be assumed.

(f) For each event analyzed, the maximum load necessitated by the event and the mode of operation of the unit at the time of the event should be assumed in addition to all loads caused by expected automatic actions and manual actions permitted by administrative procedures.

(g) The voltage analysis should include documentation for each condition analyzed, of the voltage at the input and output of each transformer

and at each intermediate bus between the connection of the offsite circuit and the terminals of each safety related load.

(h) The calculated voltages at the terminals of each safety related load should be compared with the required voltage range for normal operation and starting of that load calculated in Item (a) above. Any identified inadequacies of calculated voltage should require immediate remedial action.

(i) For each case evaluated, the calculated voltages on each safety bus should demonstrate adequate voltage at the component level without separation from the offsite circuit due to DVR actuation.

(j) To provide assurance that actions taken to assure adequate voltage levels for safety related loads do not result in excessive voltages, assuming the maximum expected value of voltage at the connection to the offsite circuit, a determination should be made of the maximum voltage expected at the terminals of all safety related equipment and their starting circuits (if applicable). If this voltage exceeds the maximum voltage rating of any safety related equipment, immediate remedial action should be taken.

(k) Analysis documentation should include a statement of the assumptions for each case analyzed.

#### Backfit Discussion

The NRC has evaluated this RIS against the criteria of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) Section 50.109, 10 CFR Part 50 Appendix A General Design Criteria 17, NRC Letter dated June 2, 1977 "Statement of Staff Positions Relative to Emergency Power Systems for Operating Reactors," Branch Technical Position BTP-1 and later BTP 8-6 (both of NUREG 0800) and Generic Letter 79-36 and determined that it does not represent a backfit. Specifically, NRC Staff technical positions outlined in this RIS are consistent with the aforementioned regulations and generic communications, while providing more detailed discussion concerning the necessary voltage calculations supporting DVR settings based only on voltage requirements of Class 1E components and the Class 1E distribution system design. Under section 50.109, a backfit can be defined as a proposed action that is a modification of the procedures required to operate a facility and may result from the imposition of a regulatory staff position that is either new or different from a previously applicable staff position.

#### Federal Register Notification

To be done after the public comment period.

#### Congressional Review Act

This RIS is not a rule as designated by the Congressional Review Act (5 U.S.C. 801-886) and therefore, is not subject to the Act.

#### Paperwork Reduction Act Statement

This RIS does not contain any information collections and, therefore, is not subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

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#### End of Draft Regulatory Issue Summary

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Dated at Rockville, Maryland this 11th day of January 2011.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2011-0006]

### Sunshine Act Notice

**AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETINGS:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**DATE:** Weeks of January 17, 24, 31; February 7, 14, 21, 2011.

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

**STATUS:** Public and Closed.

**Week of January 17, 2011**

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of January 17, 2011.

**Week of January 24, 2011—Tentative**

*Monday, January 24, 2011*

1 p.m. Briefing on Safety Culture Policy Statement (Public Meeting). (Contact: Diane Sieracki, 301-415-3297.)

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

**Week of January 31, 2011—Tentative**

*Tuesday, February 1, 2011*

9 a.m. Briefing on Digital Instrumentation and Controls (Public Meeting). (Contact: Steven Arndt, 301-415-6502.)

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

**Week of February 7, 2011—Tentative**

*Tuesday, February 8, 2011*

9 a.m. Briefing on Implementation of Part 26 (Public Meeting). (Contact: Shana Helton, 301-415-7198.)

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

**Week of February 14, 2011—Tentative**

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of February 14, 2011.

**Week of February 21, 2011—Tentative**

*Thursday, February 24, 2011*

9 a.m. Briefing on Groundwater Task Force (Public Meeting). (Contact: Margie Kotzalas, 301-415-1727.)

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

\*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.

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

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Dated: January 12, 2011.

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**OFFICE OF PERSONNEL  
MANAGEMENT**

**Excepted Service**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This gives notice of OPM decisions granting authority to make appointments under Schedules A, B, and C in the excepted service as required by 5 CFR 213.103.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Roland Edwards, Senior Executive Resource Services, Employee Services, 202-606-2246.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Appearing in the listing below are the individual authorities established under Schedules A, B, and C between November 1, 2010, and November 30, 2010. These notices are published monthly in the **Federal Register** at <http://www.gpoaccess.gov/fr/>. A consolidated listing of all authorities as of June 30 is also published each year. The following Schedules are *not* codified in the Code of Federal Regulations. These are agency-specific exceptions.

**Schedule A**

No Schedule A authorities to report during November 2010.

**Schedule B**

No Schedule B authorities to report during November 2010.

**Schedule C**

The following Schedule C appointments were approved during November 2010.

*Department of State*

DSGS70121 Director, Art In Embassies Program. Effective November 19, 2010.

*Department of the Treasury*

DYGS00537 Public Affairs Specialist. Effective November 26, 2010.

*Department of Defense*

DDGS17304 Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs. Effective November 8, 2010.

DDGS17308 Defense Fellow for White House Liaison. Effective November 16, 2010.

DDGS17309 Associate Director for Communication Plans and Integration. Effective November 18, 2010.

*Department of Justice*

DJGS00627 Counsel for Civil Division. Effective November 23, 2010.

*Department of Homeland Security*

DMGS00688 Senior Advisor for Legislative Affairs. Effective November 3, 2010.

DMGS00167 Confidential Assistant for Federal Emergency Management Agency. Effective November 16, 2010.

*Department of Agriculture*

DAGS00241 Confidential Assistant to the Administrator, Farm Service Agency. Effective November 3, 2010.

DAGS20032 Special Assistant to the Deputy Secretary. Effective November 3, 2010.

DAGS20036 Senior Advisor to the Administrator. Effective November 3, 2010.

DAGS00186 White House Liaison to the Secretary. Effective November 4, 2010.

*Department of Labor*

DLGS00039 Speechwriter for Communications and Public Affairs. Effective November 4, 2010.

DLGS00285 Scheduler for Scheduling and Advance. Effective November 23, 2010.

*Department of Health and Human Services*

DHGS60510 Confidential Assistant to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Early Childhood Development. Effective November 23, 2010.

*Department of Education*

DBGS00202 Deputy Chief of Staff. Effective November 29, 2010.

DBGS00283 Chief of Staff for Civil Rights. Effective November 29, 2010.

*Environmental Protection Agency*

EPGS11004 Assistant Press Secretary for Public Affairs. Effective November 23, 2010.