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Background: As requested by the USTR, in its report the Commission will (1) describe the various activities involved in the provision of oil and gas field services; (2) describe the nature of trade in oil and gas field services; and (3) examine the extent of impediments to trade and potential benefits of trade liberalization. Since oil and gas field services are conducted in a large number of countries, USTR has requested that the Commission's study focus on issues that could be relevant multilaterally.

For the purpose of this study, oil and gas field services are broadly defined to include evaluation and exploration activities; drilling activities; and well development and completion activities. The letter follows similar requests made by the USTR in November 1999 and February 2001 for the Commission to conduct investigations on electric power services and natural gas services in selected foreign markets. The Commission submitted its report on electric power services to the USTR on November 23, 2000, and on natural gas services on October 16, 2001. Copies of these reports may be obtained by contacting the Office of the Secretary at 202-205-2000 or by accessing the USITC Internet server www.usitc.gov. The USTR asked that the Commission furnish its report by March 18, 2003, and that the Commission make the report available to the public in its entirety.

Public Hearing: A public hearing in connection with the investigation will be held at the U.S. International Trade Commission Building, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC, beginning at 9:30 a.m. on October 1, 2002. All persons shall have the right to appear, by counsel or in person, to present information and to be heard. Requests to appear at the public hearing should be filed with the Secretary, United States International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20436, no later than 5:15 p.m., September 17, 2002. Any

prehearing briefs (original and 14 copies) should be filed not later than 5:15 p.m., September 19, 2002; the deadline for filing post-hearing briefs or statements is 5:15 p.m., October 22, 2002. In the event that, as of the close of business on September 17, 2002, no witnesses are scheduled to appear at the hearing, the hearing will be canceled. Any person interested in attending the hearing as an observer or non-participant may call the Secretary of the Commission (202-205-1806) after September 17, 2002, for information concerning whether the hearing will be held.

Written Submissions: In lieu of or in addition to participating in the hearing, interested parties are invited to submit written statements (original and 14 copies) concerning the matters to be addressed by the Commission in its report on this investigation. Commercial or financial information that a submitter desires the Commission to treat as confidential must be submitted on separate sheets of paper, each clearly marked "Confidential Business Information" at the top. All submissions requesting confidential treatment must conform with the requirements of section § 201.6 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 201.6). All written submissions, except for confidential business information, will be made available in the Office of the Secretary to the Commission for inspection by interested parties. The Commission will not include any confidential business information in the report it sends to the USTR. To be assured of consideration by the Commission, written statements relating to the Commission's report should be submitted to the Commission at the earliest practical date and should be received no later than the close of business on October 22, 2002. All submissions should be addressed to the Secretary, United States International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20436. The Commission's rules do not authorize filing submissions with the Secretary by facsimile or electronic means. Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202-205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server (<http://www.usitc.gov>).

List of Subjects

WTO, GATS, Oil and gas field services.

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By order of the Commission.

Marilyn R. Abbott,

Secretary to the Commission.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards

Subcommittee Meeting on Thermal-Hydraulic Phenomena; Notice of Meeting

The ACRS Subcommittee meeting on Thermal-Hydraulic Phenomena scheduled for July 17-18, 2002 has been changed to a one day meeting, which will be held on Wednesday, July 17, 2002 at 8:30 a.m. in Room T-2B3, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

The Subcommittee will continue its review of the NRC Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research (RES) draft Regulatory Guide, DG-1120, "Transient and Accident Analysis Methods". The Subcommittee will also discuss the status of the RES experimental program pertaining to subcooled flow boiling phenomena.

Notice of this meeting was published in the **Federal Register** on Tuesday, July 2, 2002 (67 FR 44478). All other items pertaining to this meeting remain the same as previously published.

For further information contact: Mr. Paul A. Boehnert, Senior Staff Engineer (telephone 301-415-8065 or e-mail: PAB2@nrc.gov) between 7:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. (EDT).

Dated: July 9, 2002.

Sher Bahadur,

Associate Director for Technical Support.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Regulatory Guides; Withdrawal

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is withdrawing Draft Regulatory Guide DG-4006, "Demonstrating Compliance with the Radiological Criteria for License Termination," from consideration as a regulatory guide. DG-4006 was published for public comment in August 1998.

This draft guide was issued to propose guidance on demonstrating compliance with radiological criteria at the sites of licensees who wish to terminate their licenses and release their sites. Appendix D of NUREG-1727,

“NMSS Decommissioning Standard Review Plan,” published in September 2000, incorporates the guidance that was proposed in DG-4006.

Regulatory guides may be withdrawn when they are superseded by the Commission’s regulations, when equivalent recommendations have been incorporated in applicable approved codes and standards, or when changes in methods and techniques or in the need for specific guidance have made them obsolete.

Comments and suggestions are encouraged at any time in connection with guides currently being developed or published guides. Written comments may be submitted to the Rules and Directives Branch, Division of Administrative Services, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555. (5 U.S.C. 552(a))

Dated at Rockville, Maryland this 3rd day of July 2002.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Farouk Eltawila,

Director, Division of Systems Analysis and Regulatory Effectiveness, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Notice of Opportunity To Comment on Model Safety Evaluation on Technical Specification Improvement To Revise the Completion Time From 1 Hour To 24 Hours for Condition B of Technical Specification 3.5.1, “Accumulators,” and Its Associated Bases, Using the Consolidated Line Item Improvement Process

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Request for comment.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the staff of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has prepared a model safety evaluation (SE) relating to the modification of the completion time from 1 hour to 24 hours for Condition B of Technical Specification (TS) 3.5.1, “Accumulators,” and its associated Bases. The NRC staff has also prepared a model no significant hazards consideration (NSHC) determination relating to this matter. The purpose of these models is to permit the NRC to efficiently process amendments that propose to revise the completion time from 1 hour to 24 hours for Condition B of TS 3.5.1, “Accumulators,” and its associated Bases. Licensees of nuclear

power reactors to which the models apply could request amendments confirming the applicability of the SE and NSHC determination to their reactors. The NRC staff is requesting comments on the model SE and model NSHC determination prior to announcing their availability for referencing in license amendment applications.

DATES: The comment period expires August 14, 2002. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the Commission is able to ensure consideration only for comments received on or before this date.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted either electronically or via U.S. mail.

Submit written comments to: Chief, Rules and Directives Branch, Division of Administrative Services, Office of Administration, Mail Stop: T-6 D59, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

Hand deliver comments to: 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland, between 7:45 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. on Federal workdays.

Copies of comments received may be examined at the NRC’s Public Document Room, 11555 Rockville Pike (Room O-1F21), Rockville, MD.

Comments may be submitted by electronic mail to CLIIP@nrc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Girija Shukla, Project Manager, Mail Stop: O-7E1, Division of Licensing Project Management, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, telephone 301-415-8439.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Regulatory Issue Summary 2000-06, “Consolidated Line Item Improvement Process for Adopting Standard Technical Specification Changes for Power Reactors,” was issued on March 20, 2000. The consolidated line item improvement process (CLIIP) is intended to improve the efficiency of NRC licensing processes. This is accomplished by processing proposed changes to the standard technical specifications (STS) in a manner that supports subsequent license amendment applications. The CLIIP includes an opportunity for the public to comment on proposed changes to the STS following a preliminary assessment by the NRC staff and finding that the change will likely be offered for adoption by licensees. This notice is

soliciting comment on a proposed change to the STS that modifies requirements regarding missed surveillances. The CLIIP directs the NRC staff to evaluate any comments received for a proposed change to the STS and to either reconsider the change or to proceed with announcing the availability of the change for proposed adoption by licensees. Those licensees opting to apply for the subject change to technical specifications are responsible for reviewing the staff’s evaluation, referencing the applicable technical justifications, and providing any necessary plant-specific information. Each amendment application made in response to the notice of availability would be processed and noticed in accordance with applicable rules and NRC procedures.

This notice involves the revision of the accumulators completion time from 1 hour to 24 hours in TSs. This proposed change was proposed for incorporation into the STSs by all Owners Groups participants in the Technical Specification Task Force (TSTF) and is designated TSTF-370. TSTF-370 can be viewed on the NRC’s Web page at <http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/operating/licensing/techspecs/>.

Applicability

This proposed change to modify TS to revise the accumulators completion time from 1 hour to 24 hours is applicable to all Westinghouse nuclear steam supply system (NSSS) plants regardless of plant vintage and number of loops.

The CLIIP does not prevent licensees from requesting an alternative approach or proposing the changes without the attached model SE and the NSHC. Variations from the approach recommended in this notice may, however, require additional review by the NRC staff and may increase the time and resources needed for the review.

Public Notices

This notice requests comments from interested members of the public within 30 days of the date of publication in the **Federal Register**. Following the staff’s evaluation of comments received as a result of this notice, the staff may reconsider the proposed change or may proceed with announcing the availability of the change in a subsequent notice (perhaps with some changes to the safety evaluation or proposed no significant hazards consideration determination as a result of public comments). If the staff announces the availability of the change, licensees wishing to adopt the change will submit an application in