

# NRC INSPECTION MANUAL

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7. IMC 0609 Att 1	11/02/06	IMC 0609 Att 1	01/10/08
8. _____	_____	IMC 0609 Att 4	01/10/08

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REMARKS: IMC 0307 (Reactor Oversight Process Self-Assessment Program) has been revised to eliminate and consolidate several metrics, separate Appendix A from the base inspection manual chapter (IMC 0307) so that it will serve as a stand-alone document, and summarize and link to Appendix B on the ROP realignment process.

IMC 0307 App A (Reactor Oversight Process Self-Assessment Metrics) is issued as a stand-alone document, separate from the base document, IMC 0307.

IMC 0309 (Reactive Inspection Decision Basis for Reactors) has been revised to define the Special Inspection Team/Augmented Inspection Team (SIT/AIT) risk overlap region as the basis for region interaction with Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR) and the Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response (NSIR) in determining the level of event

response. The revision also provides deterministic criteria for events involving potential tampering with safety or security related equipment.

IP 93812 (Special Inspection) has been revised to provide guidance on feedback form recommendations for improving the Special Inspection (SI) process based on lessons learned.

IMC 0609 (Significance Determination Process) has been revised to provide the staff clarification on the of use IMC 0309, “Reactive Inspection Decision Basis for Reactors” in place of Management Directive (MD) 8.3; “NRC Incident Investigation Program,” and to use Attachment 4 to perform Significance Determination Process (SDP) Phase 1 screenings. The revision also incorporates feedback responses to add NSIR requirements, clarifies guidance of SDP timeliness with regard to Office of Investigations and Department of Justice (OI/DOJ) investigations, and adds references to SDP Appendix M and a new Attachment 4 for Phase 1 Initial Screening and Characterization.

IMC 0609 App A (Determining the Significance of Reactor Inspection Findings for At-Power Situations) is revised to remove the Phase 1 Initial Screening and Characterization of Findings process to create the new IMC 0609, Attachment 4. The document also adds a clarification statement to Step 2.1.2 and Usage Rule 1.1 that the maximum exposure time used in SDP is limited to one year.

IMC 0609 Att 1 (Significance and Enforcement Review Panel Process) has been revised to reference the Phase 2 Pre-solved Tables, correct the hyperlinks to website references, and add a caveat relating to the licensee’s ability to appeal the final SDP determination if the licensee has declined to request a Regulatory Conference or submit a response in writing.

IMC 0609 Att 4 (Phase 1 - Initial Screening and Characterization of Findings) is issued as a new attachment, replacing Phase 1 - Characterization and Initial Screening of Findings of the significance determination process (SDP) that had been in IMC 0609 Appendix A.

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