

Approved For Publication

The Commission delegated to the EDO (10 CFR 1.31(c)) the authority to develop and promulgate rules as defined in the APA (5 U.S.C. 551 (4)) subject to the limitations in NRC Management Directive 9.17, Organization and Functions, Office of the Executive Director for Operations, paragraphs 0213, 038, 039, and 0310.

The enclosed direct final rule entitled "List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: HI-STAR 100 Revision," amends 10 CFR Part 72 by revising the Holtec International HI-STAR 100 cask system listing within the "List of approved spent fuel storage casks." This amendment revises the HI-STAR 100 cask system Appendix B of the Technical Specifications, Item 1.4.6, "Specific Parameters and Analysis for the Storage Pad and Foundation," to simplify the language of this specification. The current 60-g limit for cask drop and tipover events in Item 1.4.6 would remain unchanged.

This direct final rule does not constitute a significant question of policy, nor does it amend regulations contained in 10 CFR Parts 7, 8, or 9 Subpart C concerning matters of policy. I, therefore, find that this rule is within the scope of my rulemaking authority and am proceeding to issue it.

March 1, 2001  
Date

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William D. Travers,  
Executive Director for Operations.