

# **RIC 2003**

## **Emergent Technical Issues**

### **Session T2**

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## **Generic Communications Overview**

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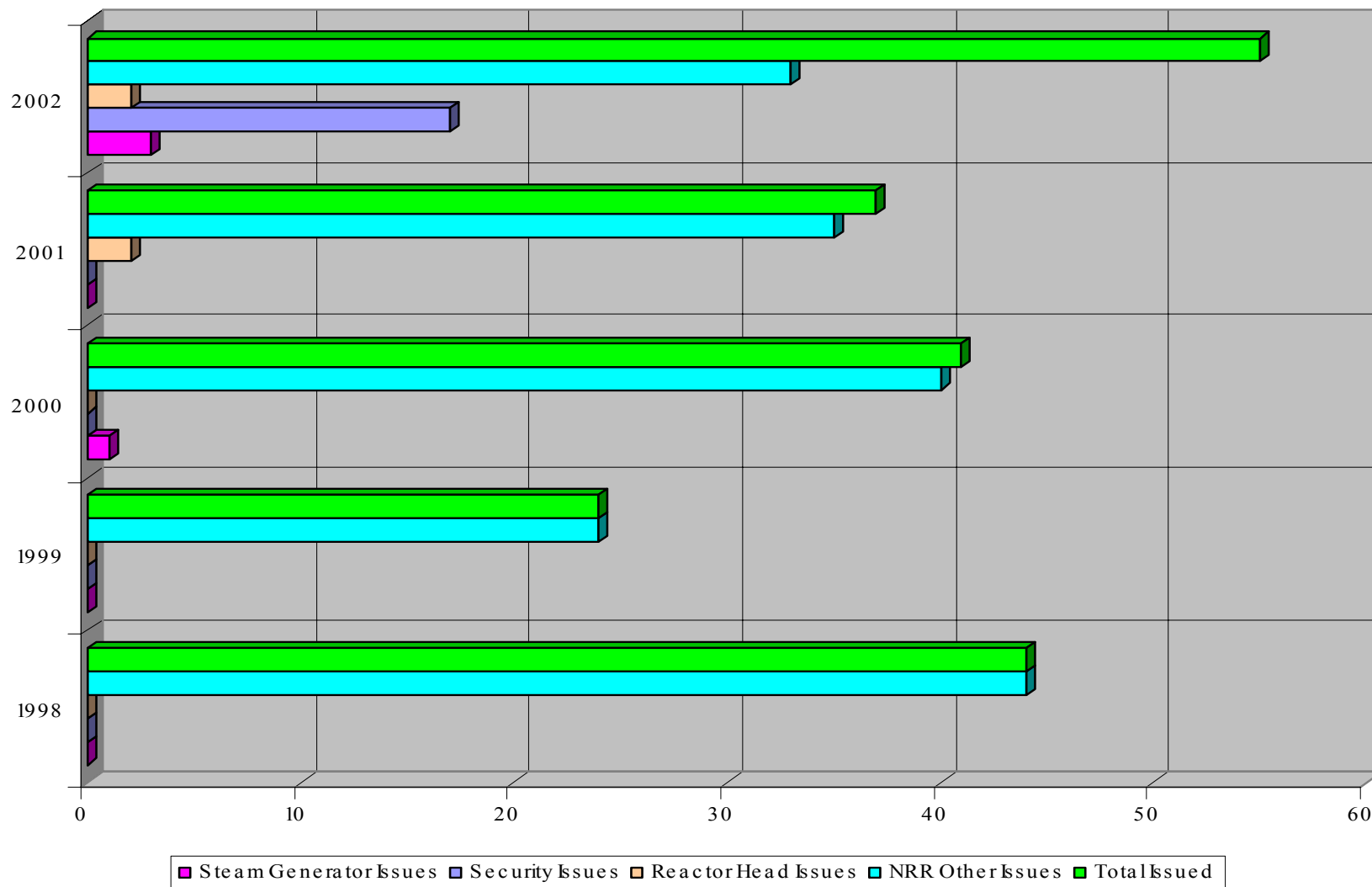
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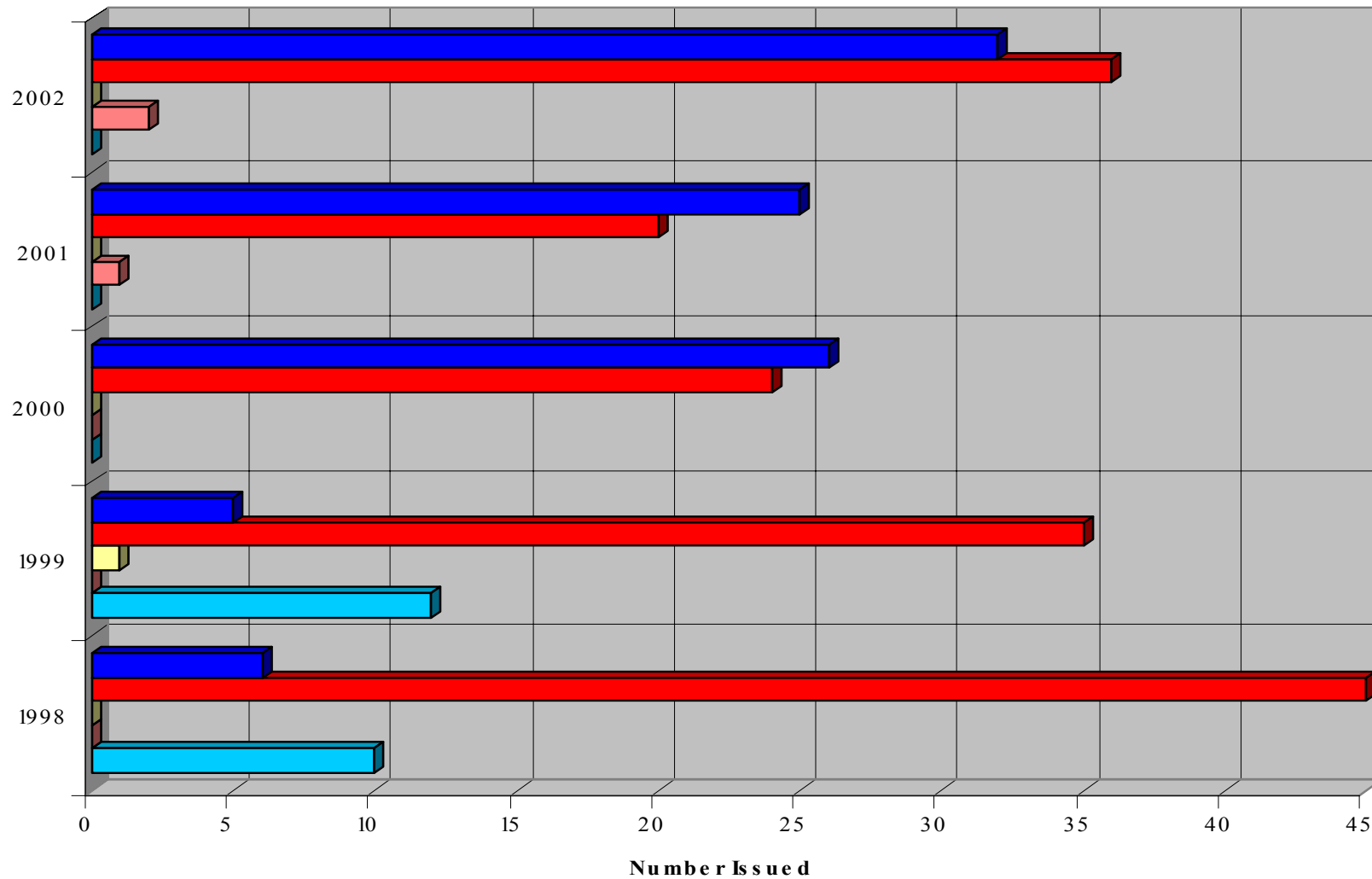
# Generic Communications

- **Bulletins**
  - Address significant issues that also have great urgency
  - May be designated "urgent" and issued without public comment.
  - May request information and will require a response pursuant to §§50.54(f)
  - Subject to CRGR review, but not necessarily before they are issued.
- **Generic Letters**
  - Request information or action or both
  - Address only technical issues
  - Designated "routine."
  - Always subject to CRGR review
  - Not issued without prior staff interaction with the industry and the public.
- **Regulatory Issue Summaries**
  - Document NRC endorsement of the resolution of issues addressed by industry-sponsored initiatives
  - Solicit voluntary licensee participation in staff-sponsored pilot programs
  - Inform licensees of opportunities for regulatory relief
  - Announce staff technical or policy positions not previously communicated to the industry or not broadly understood
  - Address all matters previously reserved for administrative letters
  - CRGR given the opportunity to review all regulatory issue summaries.
- **Information Notices**
  - Inform the nuclear industry of significant, recently identified, operating experience
  - Do not convey or imply new requirements or new interpretations
  - Do not request information or actions
  - CRGR review not required.
- **Administrative Letters (Discontinued in 2000)**
  - Administrative procedure changes relating to implementation of the regulations or NRC staff positions
  - Changes in NRC internal procedures or organizations
  - Events of interest such as workshops or Regulatory Information Conferences
  - Other purposes of a strictly administrative nature.

## All Generic Communications by Category



## NRR Generic Communications by Year



■ Administrative Letters 
 ■ Bulletins 
 ■ Generic Letters 
 ■ Information Notices 
 ■ Regulatory Information Summaries