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Revision 5 of Regulatory Guide 1.101, "Emergency Response Planning and Preparedness for Nuclear Power Reactors," provides guidance to licensees and applicants concerning emergency response planning activities and interactions. This guidance describes a voluntary method that the NRC staff considers acceptable for complying with the NRC's recently amended regulatory requirements in Appendix E to Title 10, Part 50, of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR Part 50), particularly as they relate to exercise requirements for co-located licensees.

The NRC published the substance of this revised guide for public comment on July 24, 2003, in a *Federal Register* notice (68 FR 43673) concerning proposed amendments to the NRC's emergency planning regulations governing the domestic licensing of production and utilization facilities, as specified in Appendix E to 10 CFR Part 50. Following the closure of the 75-day public comment period on October 7, 2003, the staff resolved all stakeholder comments in the course of preparing the final rule (70 FR 3591, effective April 26, 2005) and Revision 5 of Regulatory Guide 1.101.

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