

D. IMPLEMENTATION

The purpose of this section is to provide information to applicants regarding the plans of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff for using this regulatory guide. This regulatory guide applies only to new plants, and no backfitting is intended or approved in connection with its issuance.

Except in those cases in which an applicant proposes or has previously established an acceptable alternative method for complying with specified portions of the NRC's regulations, the NRC staff will use the methods described in this guide to evaluate submittals in connection with applications for combined licenses.

REGULATORY ANALYSIS

The NRC staff did not prepare a separate regulatory analysis for this regulatory guide. Rather, the regulatory analysis prepared for the updated rule under Title 10, Part 52, of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR Part 52) (see Volume 71 of the *Federal Register*, page 12781) also provides the regulatory basis for this guide and examines the costs and benefits of implementing the rule. The Commission requests public comments on the draft regulatory analysis. Interested parties may submit comments on the draft analysis to the NRC as indicated in the "Addresses" section of the proposed 10 CFR Part 52 rule.

A copy of the draft regulatory analysis for the proposed 10 CFR Part 52 rule is available for inspection and maybe copied (for a fee) at the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Room O1-F15, Rockville, Maryland. The mailing address is USNRC PDR, Washington, DC 20555-0001. The PDR can also be reached by telephone at (301) 415-4737 or (800) 397-4205, by fax at (301) 415-3548, and by email to PDR@nrc.gov. Copies are also available at current rates by submitting a request to the U.S. Government Printing Office at P.O. Box 37082, Washington, DC 20402-9328, or by telephone at (202) 512-1800. Copies are also available at current rates from the National Technical Information Service at 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, VA 22161, via the Internet at <http://www.ntis.gov>, or by telephone at (703) 487-4650. In addition, the regulatory analysis is available electronically through the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>, under ADAMS Accession No. ML052840320.

BACKFIT ANALYSIS

This regulatory guide proposes NRC staff guidance on how COL applicants can comply with 10 CFR Part 52. Since no COL applications have been submitted to date, publication of this regulatory guide does not constitute a backfit under 10 CFR 50.109, "Backfitting," and no backfit analysis is necessary or has been prepared for this regulatory guide.