



**U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**  
**STANDARD REVIEW PLAN**

### 10.4.3 TURBINE GLAND SEALING SYSTEM

#### REVIEW RESPONSIBILITIES

**Primary** - Organization responsible for the review of power conversion systems

**Secondary** - None

#### I. AREAS OF REVIEW

The turbine gland sealing system (TGSS) is designed to provide a source of sealing steam to the annulus space where the turbine and large steam valve shafts penetrate their casings to prevent air leakage into and steam leakage out of these components. This includes the equipment to collect and route the systems effluents to the appropriate destination. Review of the TGSS is focused on the system features incorporated to monitor and control releases of radioactive materials in effluents.

The specific areas of review are as follows:

1. The design, design objectives, method of operation, and factors that influence gaseous radioactive material handling, e.g., source of sealing steam, system interfaces, and potential leakage paths. The review includes piping and instrumentation diagrams (P&IDs).

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#### USNRC STANDARD REVIEW PLAN

This Standard Review Plan, NUREG-0800, has been prepared to establish criteria that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff responsible for the review of applications to construct and operate nuclear power plants intends to use in evaluating whether an applicant/licensee meets the NRC's regulations. The Standard Review Plan is not a substitute for the NRC's regulations, and compliance with it is not required. However, an applicant is required to identify differences between the design features, analytical techniques, and procedural measures proposed for its facility and the SRP acceptance criteria and evaluate how the proposed alternatives to the SRP acceptance criteria provide an acceptable method of complying with the NRC regulations.

The standard review plan sections are numbered in accordance with corresponding sections in Regulatory Guide 1.70, "Standard Format and Content of Safety Analysis Reports for Nuclear Power Plants (LWR Edition)." Not all sections of Regulatory Guide 1.70 have a corresponding review plan section. The SRP sections applicable to a combined license application for a new light-water reactor (LWR) are based on Regulatory Guide 1.206, "Combined License Applications for Nuclear Power Plants (LWR Edition)."

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2. Inspections, Tests, Analyses, and Acceptance Criteria (ITAAC). For design certification (DC) and combined license (COL) reviews, the staff reviews the applicant's proposed ITAAC associated with the structures, systems, and components (SSCs) related to this SRP section in accordance with SRP Section 14.3, "Inspections, Tests, Analyses, and Acceptance Criteria." The staff recognizes that the review of ITAAC cannot be completed until after the rest of this portion of the application has been reviewed against acceptance criteria contained in this SRP section. Furthermore, the staff reviews the ITAAC to ensure that all SSCs in this area of review are identified and addressed as appropriate in accordance with SRP Section 14.3.
3. COL Action Items and Certification Requirements and Restrictions. For a DC application, the review will also address COL action items and requirements and restrictions (e.g., interface requirements and site parameters).

For a COL application referencing a DC, a COL applicant must address COL action items (referred to as COL license information in certain DCs) included in the referenced DC. Additionally, a COL applicant must address requirements and restrictions (e.g., interface requirements and site parameters) included in the referenced DC.

### Review Interfaces

Other SRP sections interface with this section as follows:

1. Review of the acceptability of the seismic and quality group classifications is performed under SRP Sections 3.2.1 and 3.2.2.
2. Review of the potential effects of high energy pipe breaks within this system on safety-related equipment is performed under SRP Section 3.6.1.
3. Review of the provisions for controlling the release of radioactive materials from the gland seal condenser vent is performed under SRP Section 11.3.
4. Review of the provisions for process and effluent radiological monitoring of the TGSS is performed under SRP Section 11.5.
5. Review of the systems quality assurance programs is performed under SRP Chapter 17.

The specific acceptance criteria and review procedures are contained in the referenced SRP sections.

## II. ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA

### Requirements

Acceptance criteria are based on meeting the relevant requirements of the following Commission regulations:

1. General Design Criterion 60, "Control of Releases of Radioactive Materials to the Environment," as it relates to the TGSS design for the control of releases of radioactive materials to the environment.
2. 10 CFR 52.47(b)(1), which requires that a DC application contain the proposed inspections, tests, analyses, and acceptance criteria (ITAAC) that are necessary and

sufficient to provide reasonable assurance that, if the inspections, tests, and analyses are performed and the acceptance criteria met, a plant that incorporates the design certification is built and will operate in accordance with the design certification, the provisions of the Atomic Energy Act, and the NRC's regulations;

3. 10 CFR 52.80(a), which requires that a COL application contain the proposed inspections, tests, and analyses, including those applicable to emergency planning, that the licensee shall perform, and the acceptance criteria that are necessary and sufficient to provide reasonable assurance that, if the inspections, tests, and analyses are performed and the acceptance criteria met, the facility has been constructed and will operate in conformity with the combined license, the provisions of the Atomic Energy Act, and the NRC's regulations.

### SRP Acceptance Criteria

Specific SRP acceptance criteria acceptable to meet the relevant requirements of the NRC's regulations identified above are as follows for the review described in this SRP section. The SRP is not a substitute for the NRC's regulations, and compliance with it is not required. However, an applicant is required to identify differences between the design features, analytical techniques, and procedural measures proposed for its facility and the SRP acceptance criteria and evaluate how the proposed alternatives to the SRP acceptance criteria provide acceptable methods of compliance with the NRC regulations.

GDC 60 requires the TGSS to be designed to provide for the collection and condensation of sealing steam and the venting and treatment of noncondensables. Additional acceptance criteria and review procedures are contained in the SRP sections referenced in the "review interfaces" section of this SRP.

There is no specific acceptance criteria associated with this SRP section.

### Technical Rationale

The technical rationale for application of these acceptance criteria to the areas of review addressed by this SRP section is discussed in the following paragraphs:

1. General Design Criterion (GDC) 60 requires that the nuclear power unit design include means to control suitably the release of radioactive materials in gaseous and liquid effluents produced during normal operation, including anticipated operational occurrences.

GDC 60 is applicable to the design of the TGSS because one of the systems functions is to prevent the release of radioactive materials to the environment. Review under this SRP section, in conjunction with review under SRP Section 11.3, verifies that the design of the TGSS includes acceptable means to control the release of radioactive materials in gaseous effluents.

Meeting this criterion provides a level of assurance that the TGSS is designed with proper controls over normal releases of radioactive effluents to the environment.

### III. REVIEW PROCEDURES

The reviewer will select material from the procedures described below, as may be appropriate for a particular case.

These review procedures are based on the identified SRP acceptance criteria. For deviations from these acceptance criteria, the staff should review the applicant's evaluation of how the proposed alternatives provide an acceptable method of complying with the relevant NRC requirements identified in Subsection II.

The application as it relates to the TGSS is reviewed to verify that:

1. The P&IDs reflect the source of sealing steam and the disposition of steam and noncondensables vented from the gland seal.

For review of a DC application, the reviewer should follow the above procedures to verify that the design, including requirements and restrictions (e.g., interface requirements and site parameters), set forth in the final safety analysis report (FSAR) meets the acceptance criteria. DCs have referred to the FSAR as the design control document (DCD). The reviewer should also consider the appropriateness of identified COL action items. The reviewer may identify additional COL action items; however, to ensure these COL action items are addressed during a COL application, they should be added to the DC FSAR.

For review of a COL application, the scope of the review is dependent on whether the COL applicant references a DC, an early site permit (ESP) or other NRC approvals (e.g., manufacturing license, site suitability report or topical report).

For review of both DC and COL applications, SRP Section 14.3 should be followed for the review of ITAAC. The review of ITAAC cannot be completed until after the completion of this section.

### IV. EVALUATION FINDINGS

The reviewer verifies that the applicant has provided sufficient information and that the review and calculations (if applicable) support conclusions of the following type to be included in the staff's safety evaluation report. The reviewer also states the bases for those conclusions.

The turbine gland sealing system (TGSS) includes the equipment and instruments to provide a source of sealing steam to the annulus space where the turbine and large steam valve shafts penetrate their casings. The scope of our review included the source of sealing steam and the provisions incorporated to control releases of radioactive material in effluents.

The staff concludes that the TGSS design is acceptable in that the applicant has met the requirements of General Design Criteria 60 with respect to the design features in place to control releases of radioactive materials to the environment.

For DC and COL reviews, the findings will also summarize the staff's evaluation of requirements and restrictions (e.g., interface requirements and site parameters) and COL action items relevant to this SRP section.

In addition, to the extent that the review is not discussed in other SER sections, the findings will summarize the staff's evaluation of the ITAAC, including design acceptance criteria, as applicable.

## V. IMPLEMENTATION

The staff will use this SRP section in performing safety evaluations of DC applications and license applications submitted by applicants pursuant to 10 CFR Part 50 or 10 CFR Part 52. Except when the applicant proposes an acceptable alternative method for complying with specified portions of the Commission's regulations, the staff will use the method described herein to evaluate conformance with Commission regulations.

The provisions of this SRP section apply to reviews of applications submitted six months or more after the date of issuance of this SRP section, unless superseded by a later revision

## VI. REFERENCES

1. 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix A, General Design Criterion 60, "Control of Releases of Radioactive Materials to the Environment."
2. 10 CFR Part 52 "Early Site Permits; Standard Design Certifications; And Combined Licenses For Nuclear Power Plants."

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### **PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT STATEMENT**

The information collections contained in the Standard Review Plan are covered by the requirements of 10 CFR Part 50 and 10 CFR Part 52, and were approved by the Office of Management and Budget, approval number 3150-0011 and 3150-0151.

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