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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

NEI 08-01, *Industry Guideline for the ITAAC Closure Process Under 10 CFR Part 52*, Revision 0, provides generic guidance for the inspections, tests, analyses and acceptance criteria (ITAAC) program for new nuclear plants licensed under 10 CFR Part 52. The document reflects the discussions at Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) public workshops during 2007-08 concerning the development of the NRC's construction inspection program for new plants. A main objective of this guideline is to provide all stakeholders a common framework and understanding of the Part 52 ITAAC closure process.

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ITAAC CLOSURE PROCESS

1 INTRODUCTION

This guideline documents an approach that Combined License (COL) holders may use to satisfy NRC regulatory requirements under 10 CFR 52.99 related to the completion and closure of Inspections, Tests, Analyses and Acceptance Criteria (ITAAC) for new nuclear power plants. Some activities relating to ITAAC may be conducted before the COL is granted. Therefore, portions of the guidance in this document would apply both to COL applicants performing construction-related activities and to COL holders (“licensees”) performing construction-related activities.

This guidance has been developed based on a series of public workshops at which NRC Staff and industry representatives have discussed implementation of the ITAAC inspection and closure process for plants licensed and built under 10 CFR Part 52. This industry guidance will be endorsed in an NRC Regulatory Guide with exceptions if necessary.

1.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this guidance is to provide a logical, consistent, and workable framework for ITAAC closure that will maximize the efficiency of this process while ensuring that NRC requirements are fully met. A description of the purpose of ITAAC is provided below to provide context for this guidance.

The role of ITAAC in the new-plant licensing process is established by Federal statute. The Commission’s organic statute, the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (AEA), provides that:

[T]he Commission shall issue to the applicant a combined construction and operating license if the application contains sufficient information to support the issuance of a combined license and the Commission determines that there is reasonable assurance that the facility will be constructed and will operate in conformity with the license, the provisions of this Act, and the Commission’s rules and regulations. The Commission shall identify within the combined license the inspections, tests, and analyses, including those applicable to emergency planning, that the licensee shall perform, and the acceptance criteria that, if met, are necessary and sufficient to provide reasonable assurance that the facility has been constructed and will be operated in conformity with the license, the provisions of this Act, and the Commission’s rules and regulations. Following issuance of the combined license, the Commission shall ensure that the prescribed inspections, tests, and analyses are performed, and, prior to operation of the facility, shall find that the prescribed acceptance criteria are met.

[AEA Section 185.b., 42 U.S. C. § 2235]

NRC regulations implement the AEA’s provisions. In particular, the Commission findings that must be made in connection with the issuance of a COL are set forth in 10 CFR 52.97. The Commission will identify within the COL the inspections, tests and analyses that the licensee shall perform, and the acceptance criteria that, if met, “are necessary and sufficient to provide reasonable assurance that the facility has been constructed and will be operated in conformity with” the license, the AEA, and NRC regulations. 10 CFR 52.97(b). The licensee verifies that the plant has been built according to the COL, the Atomic Energy Act and the Commission’s regulations by performing ITAAC that are part of the COL.

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The acceptance criteria of the ITAAC are carefully selected during the design certification and licensing process to ensure that their completion by the licensee will provide reasonable assurance that the plant will operate safely as designed. ITAAC, in turn, verify that specific acceptance criteria are met prior to fuel load. Additional, non-ITAAC NRC inspection activities will be performed to verify that operational programs, start-up testing, training, quality assurance, corrective action, and other important aspects of plant construction and operation are in accordance with licensee commitments, license conditions, and applicable regulations for plant construction and operation.

This document provides guidance to document the common understanding of the industry and the NRC concerning how the major aspects of the ITAAC closure process should function, including:

- Summary of the Part 52 ITAAC process
- Schedule considerations for ITAAC-related activities
- Licensee process for review and preparation of ITAAC closure letters
- Guidance for ITAAC closure letter content
- Guidance for the 225-day notifications regarding uncompleted ITAAC
- Special Topics

2 DEFINITIONS¹

225-Day Notification Letter is the letter the licensee sends to notify the NRC of the ITAAC that will not be completed within 225 days of fuel load. This communication is submitted in accordance with 10 CFR 52.99(c)(2).

Acceptance criteria refers to the performance, physical condition, or analysis result for a structure, system, or component (SSC) or program, which demonstrates that the design requirement/commitment is met.

Analysis means a calculation, mathematical computation, or engineering/technical evaluation.

As-built means the physical properties of a structure, system, or component following the completion of its installation or construction activities at its final location at the plant site. Determination of physical properties of the as-built structure, system, or component may be based on measurements, inspections, or tests that occur prior to installation, provided that subsequent fabrication, handling, installation, and testing do not alter the properties.

Combined License (“COL”) means a combined construction permit and operating license with conditions for a nuclear power facility, issued under 10 CFR Part 52. See 10 CFR 52.1(a).

Construction means the analysis, design, manufacture, fabrication, quality assurance, placement, erection, installation, modification, inspection, or testing of the facility or activity which is subject to applicable NRC regulations and consulting services related to the facility or activity that are safety-related (Based on 10 CFR 50.2, Definitions.)

Design Acceptance Criteria (DAC) are a set of prescribed limits, parameters, procedures, and attributes upon which the NRC relies, in a limited number of technical areas, in making a final safety determination to support a design certification. See SECY-92-053, page 3.

Determination report is a narrative provided in the ITAAC closure package describing how the licensee determined that the ITAAC acceptance criteria have been met. This report will be summarized in the ITAAC closure letter.

Inspect or inspection means visual observations, physical examinations, or review of records based on visual observation or physical examination that compare the SSC condition to one or more design commitments. Examples include walkdowns, configuration checks, measurements of dimensions, or non-destructive examinations (NDEs).

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¹ In cases where a term’s definition in a final design certification document (DCD) does not match the definition provided in this guidance document, licensees should utilize the DCD definition applicable to their chosen design, as required.

ITAAC Closure Letter (also known as ITAAC closure notification) is the letter the licensee sends to notify the NRC that an ITAAC is complete in accordance with 10 CFR 52.99(c)(1).

ITAAC Closure Package refers to the information and records documenting the work performed to verify and close an ITAAC. Once completed, the ITAAC closure package will be available for NRC inspection at the plant site.

ITAAC Finding is a regulatory violation that is greater than minor, is associated with a specific ITAAC for which the licensee has issued the ITAAC closure letter, and is material to the ITAAC acceptance criteria. This type of finding could prevent the ITAAC from being closed and could require that previously closed ITAAC be re-opened. An ITAAC finding may be related to a single ITAAC or a family of ITAAC.

ITAAC-Related Construction Finding (IRCF) is a regulatory violation that is greater than minor, is associated with a specific ITAAC for which the licensee has not yet issued the ITAAC closure letter, and is material to the ITAAC acceptance criteria. This type of finding could prevent the ITAAC from being closed. An ITAAC-Related Construction Finding may be related to a single ITAAC or a family of ITAAC.

Test means actuation or operation, or establishment, of specified conditions to evaluate the performance or integrity of as-built SSCs, unless explicitly stated otherwise, to determine whether an ITAAC acceptance criterion is met.

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3 GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF 10 CFR PART 52 AND ITAAC PROCESSES

This section provides an overview of NRC regulations related to ITAAC. The NRC Standard Review Plan (NUREG 0800- *Standard Review Plan for the Review of Safety Analysis Reports for Nuclear Power Plants*, Section 14.3 Standard Plant Designs, Initial Test Program - Final Design Approval (FDA)) contains a description of the purpose of ITAAC:

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The purpose of the ITAAC is to verify that an as-built facility conforms to the approved plant design and applicable regulations. When coupled in a COL with the ITAAC for site-specific portions of the design, they constitute the verification activities for a facility that should be successfully met prior to fuel load. If the licensee demonstrates that the ITAAC are met and the NRC agrees that they are successfully met, then the licensee will be permitted to load fuel. Once completion of ITAAC and the supporting design information demonstrate that the facility has been properly constructed, it then becomes the function of existing programs such as the technical specifications, the in-service inspection and in-service testing program, the quality assurance program, and the maintenance program, to demonstrate that the facility continues to operate in accordance with the certified design and the license.

3.1 ROLE OF ITAAC IN PART 52 PROCESS

ITAAC establish a set of actions and 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 be operated in conformity with the combined license, the provisions of the Act, and the Commission's rules and regulations." See 10 CFR 52.80(a). The licensee must complete all ITAAC, the NRC Staff must verify successful ITAAC completion, and the Commission must find that all ITAAC are met before the licensee may operate the facility. See 10 CFR 52.103(g). See also Inspection Manual Chapter 2503.

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After the Commission makes the finding required by Section 52.103(g), "the ITAAC do not, by virtue of their inclusion in the combined license, constitute regulatory requirements either for licensees or for renewal of the license; except for the specific ITAAC for which the Commission has granted a hearing under [52.103], all ITAAC expire upon final Commission action in the proceeding." 10 CFR 52.103(h).

Licensee programs (including but not limited to the technical specifications, the in-service inspection and in-service testing program, the quality assurance program, and the maintenance program), as well as the Commission's continuing regulatory oversight, continue to assure that the facility is operated in accordance with the license and NRC regulations.

3.1.1 Relationship of ITAAC to Engineering Design Verification Process

ITAAC are used to demonstrate that as-built conditions and performance characteristics of SSCs meet established acceptance criteria. The purpose of first of a kind engineering (FOAKE) and engineering design verification (EDV), on the other hand, is to enable the NRC to verify that the design approved in the license has been properly translated into drawings, specifications, and other design information used to procure materials and equipment and to construct the plant. FOAKE is necessary to complete the design of the plant. This work may be conducted after the design certification is granted and continued through the COL phase and into the early stages of construction. FOAKE will be conducted one time for a standard design using the design-centered approach to maintain standardization among new plants provided through a certification. EDV includes the NRC assessment of the licensee's implementation of Design Acceptance Criteria (DAC). See NRC IMC-2502, "Construction Inspection Program: Pre-Combined License (Pre-COL) Phase," for work completed before a COL is issued, and JMC-2504, "Construction Inspection Program – Non-ITAAC Inspections," Section 8.03.a, for work completed post-COL issuance. Having verified the proper translation of the approved design via EDV, the NRC staff's ITAAC verification process may focus on assuring SSCs meet ITAAC acceptance criteria, and not on the underlying design of ITAAC SSCs.

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The NRC performs EDV inspections under its Construction Inspection Program when the applicant/licensee has sufficient drawings, purchase specifications, or other construction documentation to support inspections. The NRC may begin to inspect the applicant's design engineering activities before issuance of a COL. EDV is expected to be completed early in the construction phase. The NRC is expected to document EDV, including DAC implementation (See Section 8.3), in inspection reports.

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The NRC is expected to apply the design centered review approach to EDV, i.e., perform a confirmatory review only, for subsequent applicants/licensees who use the same detailed design information that was previously approved by the staff.

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3.1.2 Role of the Quality Assurance Program

The role of the Quality Assurance Program (QAP) is the same under Part 52 as for existing plants licensed under 10 CFR Part 50. The QAP is the continuous licensee process of assuring that design and construction activities are performed in accordance with the license, NRC regulations and applicable codes and standards, and that SSCs will perform their intended functions.

The quality assurance requirements of Part 50 Appendix B are applicable to plants licensed under Part 52. Section 52.79(a)(25) requires information concerning the licensee's QAP and how the QAP meets the requirements of Part 50 Appendix B to be submitted with each COL application. The COL applicant's description of the QAP is reviewed and approved by the NRC as part of COL issuance. QAP implementation by the licensee should assure that quality-related activities associated with plant design, procurement, fabrication, construction, testing and

operation are implemented properly and in accordance with licensee procedures, applicable codes and standards and NRC regulations. QA/QC deficiencies will be handled by the normal process for licensee operational programs (e.g. NRC regulatory oversight, NRC inspection findings, and 10 CFR 2.206 petitions). See Section 3.2.1 below.

The role of ITAAC is different from the role of the QAP. While the QAP assures the proper implementation of quality-related construction activities, ITAAC focus on verifying that as-built SSCs satisfy the top level design and performance standards specified in the COL. Additionally, ITAAC play a special role under Part 52 in defining the scope of the post-construction hearing opportunity.

As reflected in NUREG 1789, the QA requirements of Appendix B to Part 50 apply to all safety-related activities being conducted by the licensee during the design, construction, and operations phase, including those safety-related activities performed to satisfy ITAAC. However, there are ITAAC activities that are not safety-related but that play a significant role in the verification of the design integrity of the as-built facility.

QAP requirements governing licensee procurement, fabrication, construction, inspection and test activities for SSCs covered by ITAAC are specified in accordance with the safety classification and/or safety significance of the SSCs involved. ITAAC encompass SSCs of varying safety significance and safety classification, including safety-related and non-safety-related SSCs. Because ITAAC have special regulatory significance under Part 52, licensees should document ITAAC closure under their QAP.

The NRC staff has determined that a QA/QC deficiency may be considered in determining whether an ITAAC has been successfully completed. If a QA/QC deficiency is determined to be material to the ITAAC acceptance criteria, it will be documented by the NRC as an ITAAC Related Construction Finding (IRCF). Based on the resolution of the IRCF, the NRC will determine whether there is a reasonable basis for concluding that the relevant aspect of the ITAAC has been successfully completed.

Unless the subject of an IRCF, QA/QC deficiencies, whether programmatic in nature or individual, are not relevant and, therefore, should not be considered in the NRC's determination as to whether that ITAAC has been successfully completed.

3.1.3 Sampling Based Construction Inspection Program

While the scope of NRC's Construction Inspection Program (CIP) is comprehensive, the NRC does not plan to inspect 100% of ITAAC related activities. Consistent with historical practice, NRC will employ a sampling based inspection program. For plants licensed under Part 52, the sampling based inspection targets to be included in the NRC's baseline inspection program will be selected based on a process that identifies those ITAAC having a higher

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<#>“The QAP will identify, document, and correct deficiencies during construction on an ongoing basis, whereas ITAAC will demonstrate that the end result of the construction process is acceptable.”¶
<#>“The ITAAC provide for ‘end-of-process’ determinations, not ‘day-to-day’ evaluation of the construction process that the QAP provides.”¶
<#>“The ITAAC would measure the successful end point of the construction process, and QAP documentation could be used to assure the design and construction process had been performed properly.”¶
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inspection value. For subsequent construction projects, the NRC's baseline inspection scope may be adjusted based on prior inspection experience. For more information about the NRC's sampling based CIP for new plants, See SECY-07-0047 and Inspection Manual Chapter-2503.

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Regardless of the set of ITAAC selected for inspection by the NRC, the licensee is responsible to ensure that applicable quality requirements are implemented for all quality related SSCs and all ITAAC.

3.1.4 ITAAC Performance by Licensees and Verification by NRC

A licensee must complete each ITAAC before initial fuel load and plant operation can begin. The ITAAC may be satisfied at any time prior to fuel load, including prior to issuance of a combined license. (The NRC may find that certain ITAAC are met at the time of issuing the COL and exclude those from the 10 CFR 52.103(g) finding; See Section 3.2.3.) It is the licensee's responsibility to ensure that the action in each ITAAC is performed and that the established acceptance criteria are met. To accomplish this, the licensee establishes a process for completing ITAAC. The licensee will also maintain auditable records that provide the basis for the licensee's conclusion that ITAAC have been successfully completed.

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Many ITAAC require verification of "as-built" SSCs. However, some of these ITAAC will involve measurements and/or testing that can only be conducted at the vendor site due to the configuration of equipment or modules or the nature of the test (e.g., measurements of reactor vessel internals). For these items, the ITAAC closure documentation (e.g., test or inspection record) will be generated at the vendor site and provided to the licensee. Onsite activities for these ITAAC will likely be limited to receipt and placement of the component/module in its final location. Closure letters for such ITAAC would not be submitted to the NRC until after the component/module is installed in its final location. As discussed in Section 4 of this document, the licensee will provide schedule information to the NRC, including plans to perform certain ITAAC activities in vendor shops, so the staff can plan their inspection and ITAAC verification resources accordingly.

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The licensee is responsible for notifying the NRC when an ITAAC is complete and ready for review by the NRC. Before the licensee submits an ITAAC closure letter to NRC under Section 52.99, it will have resolved any identified ITAAC-related construction findings (IRCF) that would otherwise preclude NRC Staff from determining that the ITAAC has been met.

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Upon notification, the NRC will conduct a timely review of each ITAAC completion basis for adequacy and accuracy, as described in the ITAAC notification letters.

The NRC's determination of successful ITAAC completion is based on a combination of inspection results, technical staff reviews, and a review of the information contained in or referenced by ITAAC closure letters submitted by the

licensee. The ITAAC verification inspection, as described in IMC-2503, Section 07.04, may include:

- Inspection related to the specific ITAAC;
- Inspection results from direct inspection of similar ITAAC within an ITAAC family; and
- Inspection results from direct inspection of processes related to that specific ITAAC.

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NRC ITAAC completion verification is expected to focus primarily on the licensee's ITAAC closure letter and review of NRC inspection records to confirm that any associated IRCFs are satisfactorily resolved. At its discretion (i.e., depending on the nature of the ITAAC and the licensee's performance in completing similar ITAAC), however, the NRC may elect to inspect the licensee's ITAAC closure package or perform specific inspections or technical reviews.

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After determining that the prescribed inspections, tests, and analyses in the ITAAC have been performed and the acceptance criteria met, the NRC will issue notices of its determination of the successful completion of those inspections, tests, and analyses "at appropriate intervals." See 10 CFR 52.99(e). These notices are published in the Federal Register.

The NRC will make publicly available the licensee notifications submitted under 52.99(c). See 10 CFR 52.99(e)(2).

If the NRC determines after an ITAAC closure letter has been submitted that an ITAAC was, in fact, not met, the licensee would be subject to an ITAAC Finding. In determining the severity level of an ITAAC finding, the NRC should heavily weigh the circumstances that led to the submittal of information later found to be incorrect. If conditions change after the ITAAC letter is submitted that would affect an SSC that was the subject of a previously closed ITAAC, the licensee would not be subject to an ITAAC Finding. The process for tracking and correcting these issues to restore the SSC is discussed in Section 8.1 of this document.

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3.2 ITAAC CLOSURE PROCESS

3.2.1 Section 52.99 Process

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10 CFR 52.99, "Inspection During Construction," sets forth the requirements to support the NRC's inspections during nuclear plant construction. It establishes the regulatory process for ensuring that ITAAC are performed so that the NRC may make the necessary finding under 10 CFR 52.103(g) that the acceptance criteria in

the COL are met. See 72 Fed. Reg. 49,352, 49,450 (Aug. 28, 2007). Appendix A to this document includes the text of Section 52.99.²

(a) The licensee shall submit to the NRC, no later than 1 year after issuance of the combined license or at the start of construction as defined in 10 CFR 50.10(a), whichever is later, its schedule for completing the inspections, tests, or analyses in the ITAAC. The licensee shall submit updates to the ITAAC schedules every 6 months thereafter and, within 1 year of its scheduled date for initial loading of fuel, the licensee shall submit updates to the ITAAC schedule every 30 days until the final notification is provided to the NRC under paragraph (c)(1) of this section.

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The NRC added this provision to [Section 52.99](#) so that the NRC Staff would have information on the ITAAC closure schedule that could be used in developing NRC inspections and activities necessary to support the Commission's finding whether all of the ITAAC have been met prior to the licensee's scheduled date for fuel load. See 72 Fed. Reg. 49,366. Even in the case where there are no changes to a licensee's ITAAC schedule during an update cycle, the NRC expects licensees to so notify NRC. 72 Fed. Reg. 49,450. See also Section 4.2 below.

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(b) With respect to activities subject to an ITAAC, an applicant for a combined license may proceed at its own risk with design and procurement activities, and a licensee may proceed at its own risk with design, procurement, construction, and pre-operational activities, even though the NRC may not have found that any one of the prescribed acceptance criteria have been met.

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(c)(1) The licensee shall notify the NRC that the prescribed inspections, tests, and analyses have been performed and that the prescribed acceptance criteria have been met. The notification must contain sufficient information to demonstrate that the prescribed inspections, tests, and analyses have been performed and that the prescribed acceptance criteria have been met.

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(c)(2) If the licensee has not provided, by the date 225 days before the scheduled date for initial loading of fuel, the notification required by paragraph (c)(1) of this section for all ITAAC, then the licensee shall notify the NRC that the prescribed inspections, tests, or analyses for all uncompleted ITAAC will be performed and that the prescribed acceptance criteria will be met prior to operation. The notification must be provided no later than the date 225 days before the scheduled date for initial loading of fuel, and must provide sufficient

² The major elements of the 10 CFR 52.99 process are also reflected in Section IX of each of the design certification rules. See 72 Fed. Reg. 49,352, 49,450 (Aug. 28, 2007).

⁴ See 72 Fed. Reg. 49,352, 49,367. The NRC further explained that: "Inasmuch as the ITAAC themselves have already been approved by the NRC and their adequacy may not be challenged except under the provisions of 10 CFR 52.103(f), a contention which alleges the deficiency of the ITAAC is not admissible under 10 CFR 52.103(b)." 72 Fed. Reg. at 49,367, note 3.

information to demonstrate that the prescribed inspections, tests, or analyses will be performed and the prescribed acceptance criteria for the uncompleted ITAAC will be met, including, but not limited to, a description of the specific procedures and analytical methods to be used for performing the prescribed inspections, tests, and analyses and determining that the prescribed acceptance criteria have been met.

Note that Section 52.99(c) specifies two separate but related notification requirements for licensees concerning completion of ITAAC. The overall purpose of each notification is to ensure that the COL holder provides the NRC with sufficient publicly available information to summarize the basis for the conclusion that ITAAC are met and support the Section 52.103 ITAAC hearing opportunity.

Section 52.99(c)(1) requires the licensee to notify the NRC when prescribed inspections, tests and analyses have been performed and the prescribed acceptance criteria have been met. In the discussion accompanying the 2007 final rule amending 10 CFR Part 52, NRC provided guidance as to what constitutes “sufficient information” under Section 52.99(c)(1) to demonstrate that the acceptance criteria have been met:

It is the licensee’s burden to demonstrate compliance with the ITAAC and the NRC expects the information submitted under paragraph (c)(1) to contain more than just a simple statement that the licensee believes the ITAAC has been completed and the acceptance criteria met. The NRC expects the notification to be sufficiently complete and detailed for a reasonable person to understand the bases for the licensee’s representation that the inspections, tests, and analyses have been successfully completed and the acceptance criteria have been met. The term ‘sufficient information’ requires, at a minimum, a summary description of the bases for the licensee’s conclusion that the inspections, tests, or analyses have been performed and that the prescribed acceptance criteria have been met. 72 Fed. Reg. 49,450; See also 72 Fed. Reg. at 49,366.

Section 52.99(c)(2) imposes an additional notification requirement on the licensee if it has not made a Section 52.99(c)(1) ITAAC completion notice for all ITAAC by 225 days before scheduled initial fuel load. Under this provision, licensees must notify the NRC and affirmatively represent that the prescribed inspections, tests, or analyses for all uncompleted ITAAC *will be performed* and that the prescribed acceptance criteria *will be met* prior to plant operation.

Note that the rule language in Section 52.99(c)(2) appears more prescriptive than the language in Section 52.99(c)(1) as to what constitutes “sufficient information” (e.g., “including but not limited to” a description of the specific procedures and analytical methods to be used). In the discussion accompanying the 2007 Part 52 final rule, NRC stated that it expects notifications under Section 52.99(c)(2) “to be sufficiently detailed such that the NRC can determine what activities it will

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need to undertake to determine if the acceptance criteria for each of the uncompleted ITAAC have been met, once the licensee notifies the NRC that those ITAAC have been successfully completed and their acceptance criteria met.” 72 Fed. Reg. 49,450.

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In accordance with existing NRC regulations, ITAAC closure notifications to the NRC must be complete and accurate in all material respects. 10 CFR 52.6(a). It is also important that licensees provide the appropriate level of detail for “completeness,” without including extraneous information that might create confusion or expand the scope of issues inappropriately. In the case of ITAAC closure notifications, reliance on routine programs (e.g., quality assurance program, corrective action program) to provide assurance that the ITAAC are completed successfully should be expected, without calling those programs into question for purposes of the Section 52.103 ITAAC hearing opportunity.

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Information on these programs is not required in this context; any challenges to the adequacy of ongoing implementation of routine programs should be made as a request for action under 10 CFR 2.206. As discussed in Section 3.3.2, a Section 2.206 petition is a separate and independent request for action that is not related to the opportunity to request an ITAAC hearing under 10 CFR 52.103.

In amending Part 52, the NRC explained that it expects that any contentions submitted by prospective parties regarding uncompleted ITAAC would “focus on any inadequacies of the specific procedures and analytical methods described by the licensee under paragraph (c)(2), in the context of the findings called for by 10 CFR 52.103(b)(2).”⁴ The licensee will continue to submit notification letters under Section 52.99 (c)(1) after submitting the (c)(2) notification, as 52.99(c)(2) does not relieve the licensee from the requirements of 52.99(c)(1) during this late period of construction.

(d)(1) In the event that an activity is subject to an ITAAC derived from a referenced standard design certification and the licensee has not demonstrated that the ITAAC has been met, the licensee may take corrective actions to successfully complete that ITAAC or request an exemption from the standard design certification ITAAC, as applicable. A request for an exemption must also be accompanied by a request for a license amendment under § 52.98(f).

(d)(2) In the event that an activity is subject to an ITAAC not derived from a referenced standard design certification and the licensee has not demonstrated that the ITAAC has been met, the licensee may take corrective actions to successfully complete that ITAAC or request a license amendment under § 52.98(f).

This sub-section addresses two options for the licensee if it is determined that any ITAAC acceptance criteria have not been met. Paragraph (d)(1) refers to activities subject to an ITAAC derived from a referenced certified design, for which the ITAAC have not been shown to be met. In this case, because the ITAAC are the subject of a rule, the licensee may take corrective actions to successfully complete the ITAAC or request an exemption from the rule (which must be accompanied by a request for a license amendment). Paragraph (d)(2) refers to an activity

subject to an ITAAC not derived from a referenced certified design (and so not the subject of a rule). In this case, the licensee may take corrective action to successfully complete the ITAAC or request a license amendment. See 72 Fed. Reg. at 49,450-51.

(e) The NRC shall ensure that the prescribed inspections, tests, and analyses in the ITAAC are performed.

(1) At appropriate intervals until the last date for submission of requests for hearing under § 52.103(a), the NRC shall publish notices in the Federal Register of the NRC Staff's determination of the successful completion of inspections, tests, and analyses.

(2) The NRC shall make publicly available the licensee notifications under paragraph (c)(1), and, no later than the date of publication of the notice of intended operation required by § 52.103(a), make available all licensee notifications under paragraphs (c)(1) and (c)(2) of this section.

This sub-section imposes requirements on the NRC to ensure that the ITAAC are successfully completed. Section 52.99 (e)(1) requires the NRC to publish in the Federal Register the Staff's determination of the successful completion of ITAAC, up to the last date for submission of requests for hearing under 10 CFR 52.103(a). When amending the rule, the NRC explained that, in general, it expects to make the Section 52.99(c)(1) notifications available shortly after the NRC has received the notifications and concluded that they are complete and detailed. Paragraph (e)(2) requires that the NRC make the (c)(1) notifications publicly available. In addition, no later than the date of the notice of intended operation required by 10 CFR 52.103(a), the NRC must make all of the notifications received under 52.99(c)(1) and (c)(2) publicly available.

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3.2.2 ITAAC Closure Continues Until All ITAAC Are Closed

After the NRC ceases to publish the Federal Register notices as required by Section 52.99(e)(1), the licensee continues to submit the notifications required by Section 52.99(c)(1) until all ITAAC are considered completed and closed. The NRC Staff will continue to review a licensee's notifications of completed ITAAC and, as necessary, continue to conduct audits or inspections of the facility and the licensee's records.

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After the final ITAAC is completed by the licensee and verified by the NRC Staff, the NRC will make the 10 CFR 52.103(g) finding. Although the rules do not require completion of all ITAAC by a certain time prior to the licensee's scheduled fuel load date, the NRC noted in the 2007 rulemaking that licensees should "structure their construction schedules" to take into account: (1) the time needed to complete NRC review once the licensee submits its ITAAC completion notification; and (2) the time needed for the Commission to review the Staff's conclusions regarding the ITAAC and Staff recommendations concerning the finding under Section 52.103(g). See 72 Fed. Reg. at 49,367 and 49,450. Because

these final steps of the ITAAC process are likely to occur in a short period just prior to fuel load, effective communication and coordination will be necessary to assure these steps can be completed to support the scheduled fuel load date.

3.2.3 ITAAC May be Closed at Time of COL Issuance Under 10 CFR 52.97(a)(2)

The NRC may find, at the time it issues the COL, that certain acceptance criteria in one or more ITAAC in a referenced early site permit (ESP) or standard design certification have been met. See 10 CFR 52.97(a)(2). Such a finding means that those acceptance criteria will be deemed to be excluded from the COL and findings under 10 CFR 52.103(g). For these ITAAC, the licensee should include a statement in its ITAAC tracking matrix that these ITAAC were closed through the issuance of the COL.

For example, a Design Acceptance Criteria (DAC) found in the applicable design certification rules could be closed at the time of COL issuance. DAC set forth processes and criteria for completing certain design information, such as information about the digital instrumentation and control system. 10 CFR 52.97(a)(2) would allow the Commission to make a finding of successful completion of DAC when a combined license is issued, if the combined license applicant demonstrates that the DAC have been successfully completed.

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3.3 GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF PUBLIC HEARING OPPORTUNITY

In addition to the public meetings that the NRC will conduct throughout its review of COL applications, the public potentially impacted by an action is afforded certain specific opportunities for involvement in the Part 52 processes. For example, for a standard design certification rule, a public comment period is provided. For an ESP or COL application, there will be an opportunity for the affected public to petition to intervene in the hearing and file contentions. If any contentions are admitted by the presiding officer, a contested licensing hearing on those contentions will be held. The NRC Atomic Safety and Licensing Board or other presiding officer will issue a decision ruling on the contentions litigated.

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The Atomic Energy Act and NRC regulations also provide for public involvement at the end of construction, when not later than 180 days before scheduled fuel load, the NRC will publish a notice of intended operation of the facility providing that any person whose interest may be affected by operation of the plant may, within 60 days of the notice, request a hearing on whether the facility, as constructed, complies, or will comply, with the acceptance criteria in the COL. 10 CFR 52.103(a).

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Congress limited this pre-operation public hearing opportunity (the so-called "ITAAC hearing") by setting a high standard for the admission of contentions. Specifically, for admission of a contention the petitioner must show, *prima facie*, that one or more acceptance criteria of the ITAAC in the combined license have not been met or will not be met. Additionally, the petitioner must show "the specific operational consequences of nonconformance that would be contrary to providing reasonable assurance of adequate protection of public health and safety." 10 CFR 52.103(b). These provisions are designed

to accord finality to the Commission's earlier decisions regarding design of the facility and to ensure that any proceeding is focused on ITAAC completion.

Acting as the presiding officer, the Commission itself will determine whether to grant or deny requests for an ITAAC hearing, in accordance with existing NRC requirements in 10 CFR 2.309. Those provisions require petitioners to support their proposed contentions with reasonable specificity and basis. 10 CFR 52.103(c). See 72 Fed. Reg. 49, 451.

The hearing opportunity described in the NRC notice of intended operation issued under 10 CFR 52.103(a) will include the ITAAC that have been completed or are still being completed. (See Appendix A for the text of 10 CFR 52.103). Thus, a petitioner has an opportunity to address in an ITAAC hearing both the Section 52.99(c)(1) notifications and the Section 52.99(c)(2) notification(s).

It should be noted that certain ITAAC may be eligible to be excluded from litigation in the ITAAC hearing (regardless of whether the hearing procedures will be formal or informal). Under Section 554(a)(3) of the Administrative Procedure Act, the Commission may exclude certain ITAAC from adjudication. This provision excludes from adjudication those decisions that rest solely on inspections or tests. In amending Part 52 in 2007, the NRC specifically acknowledged that this provision could be invoked for ITAAC. See FR 72 49428. The process for identifying and excluding such ITAAC from the Section 52.103 hearing opportunity has not yet been determined.

3.3.1 Opportunity for Late Filed Contentions

The NRC did not modify that paragraph of 10 CFR 2.309 dealing with late-filed contentions when amending other sections to address and clarify the hearing opportunity under 10 CFR 52.103. The NRC expects hearing requests to be filed within the allowed 60-day period provided by the notice under 10 CFR 52.103(a), and it has explained that the standards for late-filed contentions would apply subsequent to that time. Therefore, in the case where previously unavailable information surfaces in a Section 52.99(c)(1) notification letter after this 60-day period and that new information is an essential portion of a petitioner's basis for requesting a hearing, a petitioner may well rely on such circumstances to show good cause as one of the factors that would support a late filing.

To minimize the potential for late-filed ITAAC contentions, it is important that the Section 52.99(c) notifications provide sufficient information as discussed in Section 3.2.1.

3.3.2 Opportunity to Request Action

10 CFR 52.103(f) provides that NRC will process any petition to modify the terms and conditions of the COL (including the content of the ITAAC) as a request for action under 10 CFR 2.206. (Section 2.206 allows any person to file a request to institute a proceeding under 10 CFR 2.202, "Orders," to "modify, suspend, or revoke a license, or for any other action as may be proper.") Note that a Section 2.206 petition is a separate and independent request for action that

is not related to the opportunity to request an ITAAC hearing under 10 CFR 52.103.

Section 52.103(f) further provides that if a Section 2.206 petition is filed, “the Commission shall determine whether any immediate action is required” before the licensed activity allegedly affected by the petition (fuel loading, low power testing, etc.) commences. If the NRC grants the Section 2.206 petition, then an appropriate order will be issued concerning the need for any immediate action. Importantly, fuel loading and operation under the combined license will not be affected by the granting of the petition unless the Commission issues an order and makes it immediately effective. See 72 Fed. Reg. 49,452.

3.4 SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF SECTION 52.103 PROCESS AND FUEL LOAD AUTHORIZATION PROCESS

The Atomic Energy Act and NRC regulations require a timely Commission decision on issues raised in any hearing requests under 10 CFR 52.103. See 10 CFR 52.103(e). In addition to deciding whether to grant or deny a request for an ITAAC hearing, the Commission will determine the appropriate hearing procedures, whether informal or formal, to be applied in any ITAAC hearing held. While the procedures to be used for any ITAAC hearing have not yet been established, the Commission has clear authority under the Atomic Energy Act and NRC regulations to use less formal procedures. See 72 Fed. Reg. 49,451.

In terms of schedule, the Commission will, to the maximum possible extent, render a decision on issues raised by the hearing request within 180 days of the publication of the 10 CFR 52.103(a) notice or by the anticipated date for initial loading of fuel into the reactor, whichever is later. 10 CFR 52.103(e).

The Commission’s decision to grant or deny a hearing, and its decision regarding procedures, may not be the subject of an appeal under 10 CFR 2.311.

If it grants a hearing request under Section 52.103, the Commission also will determine whether to allow interim operation during the hearing, on the basis that there will be reasonable assurance of adequate protection to the public health and safety notwithstanding the pending hearing. This provision authorizes interim operation during resolution of contested hearing issues and issuance of NRC findings under Section 52.013(g). See Section 52.103(c).

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The NRC Staff will make a recommendation to support the 52.103(g) finding that the acceptance criteria in the COL are met. The Commission or its delegate will make the initial finding under 10 CFR 2.340 or appropriately condition the finding. The finding is immediately effective upon issuance, unless there is good cause that it should not be immediately effective. See 10 CFR 2.340(f). For the final finding under 10 CFR 2.340(j), the Commission or its delegate will make a finding within 10 days from the date of issuance of the initial decision, if the acceptance criteria not within the scope of the initial decision have been, or will be, met and notwithstanding the pendency of a petition for reconsideration or review, or motion for stay, or filing of a petition for action to modify,

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4 SCHEDULE CONSIDERATIONS FOR ITAAC-RELATED ACTIVITIES AND COORDINATION TO SUPPORT NRC INSPECTION PLANNING

The NRC Construction Inspection Program (NRC/CIP) intends to enhance its ability to perform its regulatory functions with respect to construction inspection oversight activities by planning and scheduling NRC inspections in a timely, effective, and efficient manner. To accomplish this goal, NRC/CIP needs access to construction scheduling information maintained by COL applicants and licensees for inspection planning and scheduling purposes. This section provides guidance for communicating schedule related information for ITAAC activities, including DAC, from the project to the NRC.

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10 CFR 52.99 “Inspection during construction” requires that:

(a) The licensee shall submit to the NRC, no later than 1 year after issuance of the combined license or at the start of construction as defined in 10 CFR 50.10(a), whichever is later, its schedule for completing the inspections, tests, or analyses in the ITAAC. The licensee shall submit updates to the ITAAC schedules every 6 months thereafter and, within 1 year of its scheduled date for initial loading of fuel, the licensee shall submit updates to the ITAAC schedule every 30 days until the final notification is provided to the NRC under paragraph (c)(1) of this section.

4.1 PROPRIETARY CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE INFORMATION

In the discussion accompanying the Part 52 amendments, NRC recognized that licensees may consider construction schedule information to be proprietary and request that such information be protected from public disclosure under 10 CFR 2.390. On this point, the NRC states: “If an applicant claims that its construction schedule information submitted to the NRC is proprietary, and requests that the NRC withhold that information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), the NRC will consider that request under the existing rules governing FOIA disclosure in 10 CFR 2.309(a)(4).” See 72 Fed. Reg. 49,352, 49,366. Consistent with this NRC statement, COL holders may assume that ITAAC completion schedules marked by the licensee as “Proprietary” and submitted to NRC in accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 will be handled by the NRC in accordance with the regulation. This applies to schedule information provided in accordance with Section 52.99(a) or otherwise shared to support early inspection.

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4.2 LICENSEE SCHEDULE COORDINATION

There will be a licensee project scheduler that provides NRC with a Level 3 schedule for ITAAC-related activities on site and off site (in vendor shops). A Level 3 schedule is

considered an intermediate project schedule that establishes a project plan that (1) integrates and relates activities performed by participants in support of project milestones and deliverables, (2) embodies a critical path, resource loaded network that defines activity interfaces and dependencies, and (3) provides the basis for activities and logic in detailed execution schedules. This Applicant/Licensee Project Scheduling Point of Contact may be a Senior Scheduling Manager, a Licensing Manager, or Project Management Representative, or other individual as best fits each project organization. Additional information will be made available as the NRC Scheduler determines a need and makes a request through the Project Scheduling Point of Contact. As schedules are updated, the licensee scheduler will assure that updated schedules are made available to the NRC.

Schedule information provided to NRC related to DAC should include the schedule for completing the additional design information necessary to implement design ITAAC, and subsequent DAC close-out following issuance of the NRC's EDV inspection report.

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Prior to the time Level 3 schedule information is made available to the NRC, applicants and licensees should inform their NRC Project Manager on an ad hoc basis regarding long lead procurement of SSCs and other early activities subject to ITAAC. Vendor manufacturing or fabrication of long lead components may commence well before the issuance of the COL; therefore, schedule coordination for inspection activities will likely be required significantly in advance of license receipt.

5 LICENSEE PROCESS FOR REVIEW AND PREPARATION OF ITAAC CLOSURE LETTERS

ITAAC closure letters notify the NRC that specific ITAAC have been completed. (The role of these letters in the regulatory process is discussed in Section 3, above.) The licensee's process for demonstrating, documenting, and notifying the NRC that ITAAC have been met is described in this section. Additional information describing common ITAAC acceptance criteria categories is provided in Appendix C to this document.

5.1 GUIDANCE FOR OVERSIGHT OF ITAAC CLOSURE ACTIVITIES AND MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS

The documentation required to establish closure of an ITAAC should be maintained available on-site to enable the licensee to confirm that the inspections, tests, and analyses were properly performed and the acceptance criteria met, and to facilitate NRC ITAAC verifications. Documentation includes the references identified in ITAAC closure letters as well as key documents supporting the licensee conclusions that ITAAC are met. Some supporting vendor information may not be available on-site, such as detailed data packages that are summarized in reports for the licensee that would be used as the basis for ITAAC closure. Records will be available to NRC inspectors at the plant site upon request.

5.1.1 ITAAC Closure Team

The licensee should establish an ITAAC closure team for the site. This team ensures that sufficient resources are available for:

- Establishing, compiling, and maintaining the documentation required to close each ITAAC;
- Developing an ITAAC closure package for each ITAAC;
- Developing the ITAAC closure letter for each ITAAC; and
- Developing the 225 Day notification letter(s), where applicable.

The licensee may delegate the responsibility for establishing and compiling the ITAAC closure documentation.

5.1.2 ITAAC Closure Documentation Establishment, Compilation, and Maintenance

The licensee and its vendors (e.g., reactor vendor, constructor, balance of plant designer, etc.) should establish a method for closing each ITAAC. For each ITAAC, the closure method should define:

- The activities to be conducted to perform the required inspections, tests, and analyses, and demonstrate that acceptance criteria are met; and
- The documentation required to establish that the activities were performed and the acceptance criteria satisfied.

Documentation necessary to support the conclusion that ITAAC are met should be available on-site to permit the COL licensee to develop the ITAAC closure package and ITAAC closure letter, and to facilitate NRC ITAAC inspection. Documents may be stored electronically. While documentation necessary to verify closure should be available on site, supporting information (such as vendor calculations or analyses, vendor type testing documentation, or fabrication records) may be available at locations other than the site.

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The licensee should establish a mechanism to permit the required documentation to be captured into the ITAAC closure package as those documents become available. This is important to avoid significant delays in schedule. If an electronic ITAAC closure package is to be developed, the vendors should strive to provide the documentation to the licensee in a format that is consistent with the latest NRC standards for electronic documents. The construction schedule may identify ITAAC-related activities to ensure that ITAAC-related information is flagged and sent to the ITAAC closure team.

5.1.3 ITAAC Closure Package Development

The ITAAC closure package provides the technical basis for the licensee's submittals under Section 52.99(c). As such, it can be viewed as a "roadmap" documenting how the licensee has established that the activities related to the

ITAAC acceptance criteria were accomplished. Documents reviewed and referenced in the ITAAC closure letter and key supporting documents should be listed in the closure package and should be readily retrievable for ease of later verification by other team members or the NRC during inspections. If certain supporting information is not available on-site, the ITAAC closure package should indicate where that information may be inspected or audited, if necessary. For example, vendor personnel training records would not be available at the licensee site.

The closure package should also provide a list of Problem Identification and Resolution (PI&R) program items that were identified as material to the specific ITAAC closure criteria, including their status (which should be complete/closed). This list would be added to the package upon closure of the ITAAC to document that there were no outstanding items in the PI&R program that are material to the ITAAC conclusion on the date the licensee closed the ITAAC. ITAAC closure is not affected by outstanding PI&R items that are not material to the ITAAC conclusion. In addition, the ITAAC closure package should contain references for the documentation associated with each NRC-identified ITAAC-related construction finding, including the final resolution of these findings.

The documents listed in the ITAAC closure package should be carefully reviewed to ensure completeness and accuracy of the technical information. The documents should also be reviewed administratively to ensure, for example, that the documentation is appropriately signed, all of the pages provided, and appropriate revisions provided.

The ITAAC closure package may be compiled in an electronic or hard-copy format. If an electronic format is utilized, the documentation would be most useful in a format that is consistent with the latest NRC standards for electronic documents.

The ITAAC closure package should not constitute the “official” copy of the documentation contained therein. Rather, the official copy of the documentation in the ITAAC closure package should be maintained by the licensee’s records organization.

A determination report should be provided in the ITAAC closure package to document how the licensee determined that the acceptance criteria have been met. The determination report provides the basis for the ITAAC closure letter.

5.2 STANDARD FORMAT FOR ITAAC CLOSURE PACKAGES

1. Cover page, including ITAAC #, title, and approval signatures.
2. If applicable, ITAAC Process Review Checklist(s).
3. Determination Report, including ITAAC Statement, ITAAC Determination Basis, ITAAC-Related Construction Finding Review, and ITAAC Closure Statement to be included in the ITAAC closure letter.

4. List of ITAAC-Related Construction Findings, including information regarding the resolution of the findings.
5. List of Licensee PI&R items related to the ITAAC closure criteria, including an indication of the status (which should be complete/closed if the item is material to satisfaction of the ITAAC).
6. List of principal closure documents (Engineering Reports, ASME Code Reports, Completed Procedures, Completed Inspection Reports, etc.).
7. List of Supporting References as required.
8. ITAAC Closure Letter.

5.3 LICENSEE PROBLEM IDENTIFICATION AND RESOLUTION PROGRAM

The purpose of the licensee's Problem Identification and Resolution Program is to identify, correct, and prevent recurrence of deficiencies related to the performance of ITAAC and other quality related construction activities. For more information, see NEI 08-02, "Problem Identification and Resolution for New Nuclear Power Plants during Construction."

6 GUIDANCE ON SUFFICIENT INFORMATION FOR ITAAC CLOSURE LETTERS

The information contained in the ITAAC closure letters plays an important role in the NRC ITAAC hearing process. Through a series of public workshops with the NRC Staff, the industry has developed a template for a standard ITAAC closure letter format that should be used by all applicants. The template is provided in Appendix D-1 to this document.

The Section 52.99 letters should be written for an individual with knowledge, education and/or experience concerning technical/engineering concepts underlying nuclear power, including the inspections, tests, or analyses used to demonstrate that acceptance criteria have been met. The letter should also be written with the expectation that the reader is someone who is appropriately informed about and familiar with applicable NRC regulations, licensing requirements and technical and/or engineering concepts related to ITAAC. The expectation that this informed reader understand the bases for the licensee's representation that certain inspections, tests, and analyses have been successfully completed and the acceptance criteria have been met does not mean that the reader would have necessarily reached the same conclusion as the COL holder. Rather, it means that an informed reader understands the underlying bases for the conclusion.

The template approach ensures general consistency for all ITAAC closure letters, which will benefit all stakeholders as well as the NRC Staff. To illustrate the information outlined in the template, a set of examples was developed by industry and reviewed by an NRC panel representing the Staff stakeholders in the ITAAC process. Feedback from the NRC panel on the specific ITAAC examples was provided to the industry in a series of

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public workshops and incorporated into the examples. These examples are set forth in Appendix D to this document.

The template provides for including the following in the ITAAC closure letters:

- ITAAC statement – restates the ITAAC (including the design or COL commitment, inspection, test or analysis, and acceptance criteria)
- ITAAC determination basis – explains how the ITAAC was met
- ITAAC-related construction findings – NRC IRCFs related to this specific ITAAC with an indication of closure of the findings
- ITAAC closure statement – confirmation that the ITAAC has been closed
- List of references – primary references that will be available for NRC review at the site

The ITAAC closure letter provides the basis for the licensee’s conclusion that ITAAC acceptance criteria have been met as of a given date. Since plant construction will take place over a period of years, it is conceivable that an ITAAC that was closed early in the process may require a corrective action or preventive maintenance at a future point in time prior to fuel load. Significantly, these activities should not invalidate the licensee’s ITAAC closure determination. (See Section 8.1, “Maintaining the Validity of ITAAC Conclusions Post-ITAAC Completion.”) Upon NRC verification of licensee closure of an ITAAC, the information provided should be reviewed by the NRC as of the date of the ITAAC closure letter. Provided that the information was accurate at the time specified by the licensee, maintenance and corrective actions performed in accordance with Section 8.1 would be acceptable to maintain the validity of the ITAAC conclusion.

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As explained in Section 3.2.1 of this document, the licensee is required under 10 CFR 52.99(c)(2) to notify the NRC no later than 225 days prior to scheduled fuel load regarding the status of any uncompleted ITAAC. The notification must indicate that the inspections, tests or analyses for all uncompleted ITAAC will be performed and that the acceptance criteria will be met prior to plant operation. These notifications are similar to the ITAAC closure letter submitted under 10 CFR 52.99(c)(1) in terms of the level of technical detail required to describe the ITAAC closure process. However, because these notifications concern ITAAC that have yet to be completed, they should also provide some basis for the expectation that the ITAAC will be successfully completed before fuel load. The target reader for the 225 day notification is the same as described in Section 6 of this document.

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The 225 day notification will describe the status for multiple ITAAC. Therefore, the licensee will provide a signed cover letter explaining the purpose of the notification that will include attachments for individual ITAAC status. To ease administrative burden for all stakeholders, a licensee may choose to provide the 225 day notification in two or more parts, each covering a portion of the uncompleted ITAAC. For example, partial 225 day notifications may be organized by system, by type of ITAAC (e.g., system hydro testing),

or by the expected timing of ITAAC completion. A phased approach will allow some of the notifications to be sent to the NRC in advance of the due date, to ease the burden of processing the Federal Register notice(s).

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Similar to the approach for the ITAAC closure letters, the industry has developed templates for the cover letter and the ITAAC-specific attachments as shown in Appendices E-1 and E-2. To illustrate the use of the template, examples of 225 day notifications for specific ITAAC are provided in Appendix E. The templates and the examples were developed by industry and reviewed during public workshops by an NRC panel representing the staff stakeholders in the ITAAC process, similar to the ITAAC closure letter review discussed in Section 6.

The template for the ITAAC-specific attachments to the 225 day notification(s) provides for the following items:

- ITAAC statement – restates the ITAAC, including the design or COL commitment, inspection, test or analysis; and acceptance criteria.
- Actions achieved toward ITAAC closure – describes actions that are already underway or completed.
- Actions remaining to attain ITAAC closure – describes actions remaining to complete the ITAAC.
- ITAAC closure schedule – provides planned schedule to complete the ITAAC.
- List of references – primary references that will be available for NRC review at the site.

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8 SPECIAL TOPICS

8.1 MAINTAINING THE VALIDITY OF ITAAC CONCLUSIONS POST-ITAAC COMPLETION

The licensee will complete ITAAC over a prolonged period, from before COL issuance to sometime prior to fuel load. ITAAC closure letters will be submitted by the licensee to establish closure in accordance with 10 CFR 52.99(c)(1), as discussed in SECY-06-0114, *Description of the Construction Inspection Program for Plants Licensed Under 10 CFR Part 52*, May 13, 2006. Following licensee submittal of an ITAAC closure letter, significant time may elapse before the NRC staff makes the determination regarding successful completion of the ITAAC in accordance with 10 CFR 52.99(e)(1); and the Commission makes the finding that the ITAAC acceptance criteria are met in accordance with 10 CFR 52.103(g).

During this time period (ITAAC maintenance period), the licensee must maintain the validity of ITAAC determinations. The licensee should ensure that the following activities do not invalidate the ITAAC determinations:

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- Normal maintenance and repairs on SSCs associated with ITAAC.
- Incidents or findings (e.g., damage from other nearby construction work) that create or identify potential non-compliances or non-conformances with SSCs that may be

corrected under the licensee's Problem Identification and Resolution (PI&R) Program.

- Changes to SSCs or programs associated with ITAAC that may be permitted to be made by the licensee without prior NRC approval in accordance with applicable change control requirements.

The licensee should maintain the validity of ITAAC determinations through proper implementation of its QAP, including its PI&R Program, and Design/Configuration Control Program, as well as its Maintenance Program. During the ITAAC maintenance period, these programs will include provisions to maintain the validity of ITAAC determinations. For example:

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- The QAP should ensure that design and construction activities are performed in accordance with the license, NRC regulations and applicable codes and standards, and that safety related and risk significant SSCs will perform their intended functions. The QAP should also ensure that the ITAAC acceptance criteria continue to be met.
- The Maintenance Program should ensure that the ITAAC acceptance criteria continue to be met after the maintenance or repair is complete.
- The PI&R Program should be used to ensure that any identified ITAAC related deficiencies are processed and resolved under that program and ensure that the ITAAC acceptance criteria continue to be met.
- The Design/Configuration Control Program should ensure that changes to SSCs or programs will not alter ITAAC requirements and ensure that ITAAC acceptance criteria continue to be met. Note: the license cannot alter the wording of an ITAAC without obtaining NRC review and approval in accordance with various provisions of 10 CFR Part 52.

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The licensee is responsible for ensuring that these programs, and others as applicable, maintain the validity of prior ITAAC conclusions before, during and after systems and buildings are turned over to the operations staff.

8.2 CRITERIA/PROCESS FOR WITHDRAWAL OR UPDATE OF SECTION 52.99 ITAAC COMPLETION NOTICES

Industry and NRC officials have discussed the hypothetical situation in which it may become necessary to update an NRC determination of successful completion of inspections, tests and analyses published in the *Federal Register* pursuant to 10 CFR 52.99(e)(1). Such a situation might arise, for example, if a material error or omission relating to a licensee's Section 52.99(c)(1) notification is discovered after that notification is made, and that error or omission is found to affect the validity of the licensee's notification and the NRC's subsequent reliance on that notification in a Section 52.99(e)(1) notice.

In this situation, the licensee should initially notify the NRC of the issue and prepare and submit to the NRC an updated Section 52.99(c)(1) notification which explains the need for the update and how the underlying issue(s) or inconsistencies have been resolved. Upon receipt of this information, the NRC Staff will review the licensee's new submittal

and, as appropriate, issue a new (updated) Federal Register notice in compliance with Section 52.99(e)(1) requirements.

8.3 DESIGN ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA

Design Acceptance Criteria (DAC) consist of a set of prescribed limits, parameters, procedures, and attributes upon which the NRC may rely, in a limited number of technical areas, in making a final safety determination to support a design certification. DAC may include design ITAAC that are implemented to demonstrate that the design is completed in accordance with the design certification. Following completion of the DAC and any required design ITAAC, the related SSC is verified through as-built ITAAC, which will be performed to demonstrate that the as-built facility conforms to the design as completed through the DAC.

DAC are established in areas of rapidly changing technology where it may be inappropriate to prematurely freeze the design, or in areas where the information is dependent on as-built or as-procured information. To date, DAC have been approved in design certifications in four areas: digital instrumentation and control (digital I&C), piping, human factors engineering (main control room and remote shutdown system design), and radiation shielding. Commission approval is required to include DAC beyond these four in future design certifications.

NRC provides regulatory guidance regarding DAC implementation in RG 1.206, "Combined License Applications for Nuclear Power Plants (LWR Edition)", Section C.III.5. Licensees may refer to this guidance regarding NRC expectations on the level of detail and design elements for DAC closure.

8.3.1 DAC Closure Options

There are three options to close DAC, all of which involve essentially the same level of design detail. The design information necessary to close DAC should be that level which would have been provided during design certification review if DAC had not been used. Regardless of the option used to close DAC, NRC closure of DAC embodies a determination that the design has been completed in accordance with the design certification. The three options for DAC closure are:

- *Closure through amendment of design certification rule* – Under this option, the design certification applicant would submit an amendment with design information that implements the DAC. Completed DAC would be deleted from the set of design certification ITAAC; however, the ITAAC on the as-built SSCs would remain (or be modified, as necessary) to demonstrate that the as-built facility conforms to the completed DAC. The NRC would review the amendment request, issue a safety evaluation, and conduct rulemaking to amend the design certification rule.
- *Closure through the COLA review process* – Under this option, the COL application contains the additional design information needed to implement

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the DAC. The NRC reviews the design and includes the results of its review in the safety evaluation for the COL. The COL should reflect that the DAC have been completed. The as-built ITAAC would remain (or be modified as part of the NRC review of the COLA, as necessary) to demonstrate that the as-built facility conforms to the completed ITAAC.

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- *Closure after COL issuance* – Under this option, the COL is issued with DAC. When the necessary additional design information is available, the licensee’s DAC implementation is inspected by the NRC as part of the Engineering Design Verification (EDV) process, as described in Inspection Manual Chapter 2504. It is expected that the NRC will involve technical reviewers in the inspection of post-COL DAC implementation. Following issuance of the NRC EDV inspection report, and resolution of any findings that would otherwise preclude DAC close-out, close-out of DAC is accomplished via the ITAAC closure process described in this document (e.g., close-out is initiated by a licensee’s ITAAC close-out letter to NRC). Sample ITAAC close-out letters for DAC are included in Appendix D.

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8.3.2 Actions Following DAC Closure

Following DAC closure by the licensee and NRC, the licensee should assess the extent to which any changes to the licensing basis are necessary. For example, if actual DAC implementation is inconsistent with the FSAR, the FSAR should be updated to conform to the actual DAC implementation. Also, the FSAR will need to be updated, in accordance with 10 CFR 50.71(e), to appropriately reflect the design information generated in closing out the DAC. If the licensee determines that FSAR, technical specification or other changes are necessary or appropriate to reflect actual DAC implementation, changes should be evaluated and implemented via the design certification or other applicable change process, and a license amendment requested, if required.

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8.3.3 Subsequent COL Projects

DAC close-out via the design certification amendment process resolves DAC with finality for all COL applications referencing that certified design.

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Closure of DAC via the COL or post-COL processes applies only to a single licensee. However, it is expected that subsequent licensees will implement DAC using the standard design information approved for the licensee who first implemented the DAC, with the exception of site-specific parameters. As discussed in Section C.III.5 of RG 1.206, the staff is expected, in turn, to use the NRC’s design-centered review approach, i.e., perform a confirmatory review only, to approve DAC implementation for licensees that reference standard design DAC information approved previously by the staff. The licensee and NRC would similarly use the design-centered review approach to document close-out of the DAC.

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Use of the design centered review approach supports the goal of standardization for at least a cohort of plants before technology advances to a point where a different approach may be employed. If DAC implementation is modified for

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8.4 SUBSEQUENT COL ITAAC CLOSURE

Similar to the process for closure of DAC associated with subsequent COL applications, ITAAC that are associated with common design reports or other data that is not site-specific may be closed by referencing the same information used for a Reference COL that has been previously approved by the NRC staff. This type of ITAAC should be prepared by the applicant and reviewed by the NRC using the design-centered approach. As described in Section 8.3.3 of this document, this approach will enable the staff to close ITAAC via a confirmatory review. This approach would not apply to those portions of ITAAC acceptance criteria that require field activities.

Licensees may also develop their plant-specific ITAAC closure letters based on corresponding letters previously submitted to and accepted by the NRC for another licensee.

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8.5 NO-ENTRY ITAAC SYSTEMS

Design certifications are required to encompass essentially complete designs. As such, all systems within the scope of the standard design are identified in Tier 1 of the design certification. However, for systems lacking a sufficient nexus to safety, no Tier 1 Design Description or ITAAC are established. For AP1000, two examples of such systems are the Potable Water System and Waste Water System. These systems are identified in the Master Tier 1 Table of Contents indicating they are part of the certified standard design, but there is no Tier 1 Design Description or ITAAC entry for these systems. Such systems are called “no entry ITAAC” systems.

Design certifications may employ various conventions for identifying “no entry ITAAC” systems in Tier 1.

Because there are no ITAAC established for these systems, the notification requirements of Section 52.99 related to ITAAC completion do not apply, and the licensee will not address these systems in the ITAAC notifications required by Section 52.99 (c)(1) or (c)(2). Accordingly, while NRC may inspect these systems as part of its Construction Inspection Program, there would be no NRC ITAAC verification activities associated with these “no entry ITAAC” systems.

Similarly, there may be plant-specific systems (and structures) outside the scope of the design certification for which no COL ITAAC are established. As for “no entry ITAAC” systems in a design certification, there would be no ITAAC closure-related activities associated with such systems.

9 ACRONYMS

CIP — Construction Inspection Program

COL — Combined License

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COLA — Combined License Application

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DAC — Design Acceptance Criteria

DCRA — Design-Centered Review Approach

EDV — Engineering Design Verification

ESP — Early Site Permit

ASME — American Society of Mechanical Engineers

FSAR — Final Safety Analysis Report

HFE — Human Factors Engineering

IRCF — ITAAC-Related Construction Finding

ITAAC — Inspections, Tests, Analyses and Acceptance Criteria

NDE — Non-Destructive Examinations

NRC — U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission

PI&R — Problem Identification and Resolution

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QAP — Quality Assurance Program

QAPD — Quality Assurance Program Description

SSC — Structure, System or Component

APPENDIX A – EXCERPTS FROM 10 CFR PART 52

10 CFR 52.99, INSPECTION DURING CONSTRUCTION (REVISION DATE AUGUST 28, 2007)

(a) The licensee shall submit to the NRC, no later than 1 year after issuance of the combined license or at the start of construction as defined in 10 CFR 50.10(a), whichever is later, its schedule for completing the inspections, tests, or analyses in the ITAAC. The licensee shall submit updates to the ITAAC schedules every 6 months thereafter and, within 1 year of its scheduled date for initial loading of fuel, the licensee shall submit updates to the ITAAC schedule every 30 days until the final notification is provided to the NRC under paragraph (c)(1) of this section.

(b) With respect to activities subject to an ITAAC, an applicant for a combined license may proceed at its own risk with design and procurement activities, and a licensee may proceed at its own risk with design, procurement, construction, and pre-operational activities, even though the NRC may not have found that any one of the prescribed acceptance criteria have been met.

(c)(1) The licensee shall notify the NRC that the prescribed inspections, tests, and analyses have been performed and that the prescribed acceptance criteria have been met. The notification must contain sufficient information to demonstrate that the prescribed inspections, tests, and analyses have been performed and that the prescribed acceptance criteria have been met.

(2) If the licensee has not provided, by the date 225 days before the scheduled date for initial loading of fuel, the notification required by paragraph (c)(1) of this section for all ITAAC, then the licensee shall notify the NRC that the prescribed inspections, tests, or analyses for all uncompleted ITAAC will be performed and that the prescribed acceptance criteria will be met prior to operation. The notification must be provided no later than the date 225 days before the scheduled date for initial loading of fuel, and must provide sufficient information to demonstrate that the prescribed inspections, tests, or analyses will be performed and the prescribed acceptance criteria for the uncompleted ITAAC will be met, including, but not limited to, a description of the specific procedures and analytical methods to be used for performing the prescribed inspections, tests, and analyses and determining that the prescribed acceptance criteria have been met.

(d)(1) In the event that an activity is subject to an ITAAC derived from a referenced standard design certification and the licensee has not demonstrated that the ITAAC has been met, the licensee may take corrective actions to successfully complete that ITAAC or request an exemption from the standard design certification ITAAC, as applicable. A request for an exemption must also be accompanied by a request for a license amendment under § 52.98(f).

(2) In the event that an activity is subject to an ITAAC not derived from a referenced standard design certification and the licensee has not demonstrated that the ITAAC has

been met, the licensee may take corrective actions to successfully complete that ITAAC or request a license amendment under § 52.98(f).

(e) The NRC shall ensure that the prescribed inspections, tests, and analyses in the ITAAC are performed.

*(1) At appropriate intervals until the last date for submission of requests for hearing under § 52.103(a), the NRC shall publish notices in the **Federal Register** of the NRC Staff's determination of the successful completion of inspections, tests, and analyses.*

(2) The NRC shall make publicly available the licensee notifications under paragraph (c)(1), and, no later than the date of publication of the notice of intended operation required by § 52.103(a), make available all licensee notifications under paragraphs (c)(1) and (c)(2) of this section.

10 CFR 52.103, OPERATION UNDER A COMBINED LICENSE

(a) The licensee shall notify the NRC of its scheduled date for initial loading of fuel no later than 270 days before the scheduled date and shall notify the NRC of updates to its schedule every 30 days thereafter. Not less than 180 days before the date scheduled for initial loading of fuel into a plant by a licensee that has been issued a combined license under this part, the Commission shall publish notice of intended operation in the Federal Register. The notice must provide that any person whose interest may be affected by operation of the plant may, within 60 days, request that the Commission hold a hearing on whether the facility as constructed complies, or on completion will comply, with the acceptance criteria in the combined license, except that a hearing shall not be granted for those ITAAC which the Commission found were met under § 52.97(a)(2).

(b) A request for hearing under paragraph (a) of this section must show, prima facie, that—

(1) One or more of the acceptance criteria of the ITAAC in the combined license have not been, or will not be, met; and

(2) The specific operational consequences of nonconformance that would be contrary to providing reasonable assurance of adequate protection of the public health and safety.

(c) The Commission, acting as the presiding officer, shall determine whether to grant or deny the request for hearing in accordance with the applicable requirements of 10 CFR 2.309. If the Commission grants the request, the Commission, acting as the presiding officer, shall determine whether during a period of interim operation there will be reasonable assurance of adequate protection to the public health and safety. The Commission's determination must consider the petitioner's prima facie showing and any answers thereto. If the Commission determines there is such reasonable assurance, it shall allow operation during an interim period under the combined license.

(d) The Commission, in its discretion, shall determine appropriate hearing procedures, whether informal or formal adjudicatory, for any hearing under paragraph (a) of this section, and shall state its reasons therefore.

(e) The Commission shall, to the maximum possible extent, render a decision on issues raised by the hearing request within 180 days of the publication of the notice provided by paragraph (a) of this section or by the anticipated date for initial loading of fuel into the reactor, whichever is later.

(f) A petition to modify the terms and conditions of the combined license will be processed as a request for action in accordance with 10 CFR 2.206. The petitioner shall file the petition with the Secretary of the Commission. Before the licensed activity allegedly affected by the petition (fuel loading, low power testing, etc.) commences, the Commission shall determine whether any immediate action is required. If the petition is granted, then an appropriate order will be issued. Fuel loading and operation under the combined license will not be affected by the granting of the petition unless the order is made immediately effective.

(g) The licensee shall not operate the facility until the Commission makes a finding that the acceptance criteria in the combined license are met, except for those acceptance criteria that the Commission found were met under § 52.97(a)(2). If the combined license is for a modular design, each reactor module may require a separate finding as construction proceeds.

(h) After the Commission has made the finding in paragraph (g) of this section, the ITAAC do not, by virtue of their inclusion in the combined license, constitute regulatory requirements either for licensees or for renewal of the license; except for the specific ITAAC for which the Commission has granted a hearing under paragraph (a) of this section, all ITAAC expire upon final Commission action in the proceeding. However, subsequent changes to the facility or procedures described in the final safety analysis report (as updated) must comply with the requirements in §§ 52.98(e) or (f), as applicable.

APPENDIX B – **RESERVED**

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(a) Definitions. As used in this section, construction means the activities in paragraph (a)(1) of this section, and does not mean the activities in paragraph (a)(2) of this section.

(1) Activities constituting construction are the driving of piles, subsurface preparation, placement of backfill, concrete, or permanent retaining walls within an excavation, installation of foundations, or in-place assembly, erection, fabrication, or testing, which are for:

(i) Safety-related structures, systems, or components (SSCs) of a facility, as defined in 10 CFR 50.2;

(ii) SSCs relied upon to mitigate accidents or transients or used in plant emergency operating procedures;

(iii) SSCs whose failure could prevent safety-related SSCs from fulfilling their safety-related function;

(iv) SSCs whose failure could cause a reactor scram or actuation of a safety-related system;

(v) SSCs necessary to comply with 10 CFR part 73;

(vi) SSCs necessary to comply with 10 CFR 50.48 and criterion 3 of 10 CFR part 50, appendix A; and

(vii) Onsite emergency facilities, that is, technical support and operations support centers, necessary to comply with 10 CFR 50.47 and 10 CFR part 50, appendix E.

(2) Construction does not include:

(i) Changes for temporary use of the land for public recreational purposes;

(ii) Site exploration, including necessary borings to determine foundation conditions or other preconstruction monitoring to establish background information related to the suitability of the site, the environmental impacts of construction or operation, or the protection of environmental values;

(iii) Preparation of a site for construction of a facility, including clearing of the site, grading, installation of drainage, erosion and other environmental mitigation measures, and construction of temporary roads and borrow areas;

(iv) Erection of fences and other access control measures;

(v) Excavation;

(vi) Erection of support buildings (such as, construction equipment storage sheds, warehouse and shop facilities, utilities, concrete mixing plants, docking and unloading facilities, and office buildings) for use in connection with the construction of the facility;

(vii) Building of service facilities, such as paved roads, parking lots, railroad spurs, exterior utility and lighting system

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APPENDIX C - GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF COMMON ITAAC ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA CATEGORIES

This information is provided as a supplement to information in the ITAAC closure letters to describe common processes that are related to ITAAC. Licensees will have specific procedures and programs to conduct the activities described in this section. Each licensee will also have a Quality Assurance Program (QAP) that will govern quality-related activities. The descriptions provided below are not intended to reflect fully the licensee's implementation of 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix B, requirements. They instead provide general information regarding the rigorous processes used by the nuclear industry for activities related to ITAAC completion.

1.1 CALCULATIONS AND ANALYSES

Calculations and analyses to support closure of ITAAC requirements should be controlled consistent with approved procedures developed in accordance with engineering program controls and QA program requirements as applicable. Procedures should specify the requirements for the preparation, review, approval, revision and administration of design analyses and calculations involving SSCs, including those that have associated ITAAC.

A calculation is a document that records the details and results of analytical or computational processes. These processes translate inputs, assumptions, constraints, standards, and methods into outputs that may be used in specifying or authorizing design requirements or operating parameters for SSCs. The calculation may include analysis of alternate, past or future configurations in addition to the current configuration.

Each calculation should have a unique numbering system and associated revision level assigned to it. Design verification should be required for safety-related ITAAC calculations and analyses and is recommended for non-safety-related ITAAC calculations and analyses. Calculations should be prepared in accordance with a specified format as designated by each licensee for consistency. The results of the calculation should be summarized and correlated to the calculation's purpose and objective.

Review and approval of calculations, either those calculations prepared by the licensee or prepared by an approved vendor, should be defined in procedures.

Use of computers to perform calculations should be controlled by procedures.

Records sufficient to provide evidence that the calculation was properly accomplished should be maintained.

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1.2 TEST PROCEDURES

Measures and governing procedures should be established to ensure that activities affecting quality are prescribed by and performed in accordance with instructions, procedures or drawings of a type appropriate to the circumstances and which, where applicable, include quantitative or qualitative acceptance criteria to implement the test procedures. Provisions should be included for reviewing, updating, and canceling such procedures.

1.3 SPECIAL PROCESSES

Measures and governing procedures should be established to assure that special processes that require interim process controls to assure quality, such as welding, heat treating, and NDE, are controlled. These provisions include assuring that special processes are accomplished by qualified personnel using qualified procedures and equipment. Personnel should be qualified and special processes should be performed in accordance with applicable codes, standards, specifications, criteria or other specially established requirements. Special processes are those where the results are highly dependent on the control of the process or the skill of the operator, or both, and for which the specified quality cannot be fully and readily determined by inspection or test of the final product.

1.4 INSPECTION PROGRAM

The inspection program establishes inspections (including surveillance of processes), as necessary to verify quality: (1) at the source of supplied items or services, (2) in-process during fabrication at a supplier's facility or at a company facility, (3) for final acceptance of fabricated and/or installed items during construction, (4) upon receipt of items for a facility and (5) during functional testing, maintenance, and modifications.

Inspection program documents establish requirements for performing the planned inspections for and documenting required inspection information such as the person(s) performing the inspection and rejection, acceptance, and re-inspection results.

Inspection results should be documented by the inspector, reviewed by authorized personnel qualified to evaluate the technical adequacy of the inspection results, and controlled by instructions, procedures, and drawings.

Inspector Qualification

Qualification programs for personnel performing inspections should be established. The qualification program requirements should be described. These qualification programs are applied to individuals performing inspections regardless of the functional group where they are assigned.

1.5 ASME CODE DESIGN REPORTS

American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) Code Section III as-built design reports should be prepared and certified by a Registered Professional Engineer consistent with ASME Code requirements. Supporting documentation for these design reports should include certified ASME Code Section III Data Report forms, construction records (including construction drawings, deviations, repairs, etc.), records of walkdowns of each piping segment to identify differences between as-designed and as-built critical functions (pipe supports, welds, component and pipe locations, weights, orientation/moments, etc.), procurement documentation, fabrication records, receipt inspection records, and other documentation as applicable.

1.6 REPORTS THAT EXIST AND CONCLUDE THAT ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA ARE MET

A number of ITAAC have acceptance criteria that will be met by preparing a report that documents the results of specified inspections, tests, and/or analyses that demonstrate that acceptance criteria are met. These reports may summarize large volumes of information contained in inspection documents such as ASME code reports, may summarize multiple analyses needed to confirm the acceptance criteria, or otherwise document conclusions derived from type tests, analyses, inspections, vendor shop tests and inspections, or other sources that support the conclusion that the acceptance criteria have been met.

1.7 PROCUREMENT

Measures and governing procedures should be established to control the procurement of items and services to assure conformance with specified requirements. Such control should provide for the following, as appropriate: source evaluation and selection, evaluation of objective evidence of quality furnished by the supplier, source inspection, audit, and examination of items or services.

Measures should be established and implemented to assess the quality of purchased items and services, whether purchased directly or through contractors, at intervals and to a depth consistent with the item's or service's importance to safety, complexity, quantity and the frequency of procurement. Verification actions include testing, as appropriate, during design, fabrication and construction activities. Verifications occur at the appropriate phases of the procurement process, including, as necessary, verification of activities of suppliers below the primary contractor/supplier.

Measures to assure the quality of purchased items and services should be established in the Quality Assurance Program Description (QAPD).

1.8 MATERIAL CONTROL

Measures and governing procedures should be established to identify and control items to prevent the use of incorrect or defective items. This includes controls for consumable

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materials and items with limited shelf life. The identification of items is maintained throughout fabrication, erection, installation and use so that the item can be traced to its documentation, consistent with the item's effect on safety. Identification locations and methods should be selected so as not to affect the function or quality of the item.

1.9 TRAINING AND QUALIFICATIONS

Personnel assigned to implement elements of the ITAAC should be capable of performing their assigned tasks. Formal indoctrination and training programs should be established and maintained for personnel performing, verifying, or managing activities within the scope of the ITAAC to assure that proficiency is achieved and maintained. Minimum qualification requirements should be as delineated in supporting training programs. When required by code, regulation, or standard, specific qualification and selection of personnel is conducted in accordance with those requirements. Indoctrination includes the administrative and technical objectives, requirements of the applicable codes and standards for the ITAAC elements to be employed. Records of personnel training and qualification should be maintained.

APPENDIX D – LIST OF ITAAC CLOSURE LETTER EXAMPLES

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TO BE ADDED IN A LATER REVISION OF NEI 08-01

*ESBWR examples are based on Revision 5 to the ESBWR DCD. Although the wording of the ITAAC may be subject to change, the examples provide useful guidance for future ITAAC closure letter.

APPENDIX D1 – EXAMPLE ITAAC CLOSURE LETTER TEMPLATE

XX/YY/ZZZZ (Date)

To: NRC

From: {Name of Licensee}
{Site Name and Unit #(s)}
{Docket #(s)}

Subject: Completion of (designate technology or COL reference) ITAAC Item X.X.X

The purpose of this letter is to notify the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) of the completion of {Site Name and Unit #(s)} Inspection, Test, Analysis and Acceptance Criteria (ITAAC) Item X.X.X {include basic description of the ITAAC} in accordance with 10 CFR 52.99(c)(1). The closure process for this ITAAC is based on the guidance described in NEI 08-01 (Reference 1).

ITAAC Statement

The following information is taken directly from the design control document or combined license.

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Design Commitment

{The design commitment for the applicable ITAAC should be quoted directly from the source. Do not paraphrase the Design Commitment.}

Inspection/Test/Analysis

{The inspection/test/analysis (ITA) for the applicable ITAAC should be quoted directly from the source. Do not paraphrase the inspection/test/analysis.}

Acceptance Criteria

{The acceptance criteria for the ITAAC should be quoted directly from the source letter. Do not paraphrase the acceptance criteria.}

Tables and figures referenced in the ITAAC should be provided.

ITAAC Determination Basis

The ITAAC determination basis summarizes the methodology for conducting the ITA, and the results that demonstrate that the acceptance criteria were met. Begin this section by inverting/restating the ITAAC Design Commitment was met, i.e., “A test, inspection or analysis was performed to demonstrate that”

It should be written in an active voice, and consist of sufficient information to enable a person familiar with technical/engineering concepts to understand the bases underlying the conclusion established by the licensee regarding the ITAAC determination basis and successful ITAAC completion. In the event that the ITAAC offers more than one method to meet the acceptance criteria, clearly state which method was selected.

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In addition, the records (Tests, Reports, Completed Procedures, Completed Analyses, etc.) that form the ITAAC determination basis must be referenced and available for NRC review. A closing statement confirming the ITAAC was met should be included.

ITAAC-Related Construction Finding Review

{In accordance with plant procedures for ITAAC close-out, the licensee will perform a review of all ITAAC-related construction findings pertaining to the subject ITAAC to determine that associated corrective actions were completed. The ITAAC close-out letter will list all relevant ITAAC-related construction findings and state that they have been closed and all corrective actions have been completed. Alternatively, the letter will provide a justification for why the NRC may issue its Section 52.99 determination of successful ITAAC completion despite the existence of unresolved ITAAC-related construction findings or uncompleted corrective actions. ITAAC close-out reviews will be documented in ITAAC Closeout Packages and available for NRC review.} Example:

In accordance with plant procedures for ITAAC close-out, {Licensee} performed a review of ITAAC-related construction findings and associated corrective actions. This review determined that X associated findings, listed below, have been identified.

1. {ITAAC-related construction finding #1}
2. {ITAAC-related construction finding #2}
3. {ITAAC-related construction finding #3}

The corrective actions for each finding have been completed and each finding closed. This review is documented in the close-out package for ITAAC x.x.x, (Reference 4), which is available for NRC review. [NRC closure of these findings is available on the Construction Inspection Program Management System \(CIPMS\) portion of the NRC website for this docket and may be located by referencing the NRC finding numbers provided above.](#)

{Alternatively, the text above can be changed to indicate that “This review determined that there are no NRC findings related to this ITAAC”.}

ITAAC Closure Statement

Based on the above information, {Licensee Name} hereby notifies the NRC that ITAAC X.X.X was performed for {Site Name and Unit #(s)}, and that the prescribed acceptance criteria were met.

We request NRC staff confirmation of this determination and publication of the required notice in the Federal Register per 10 CFR 52.99.

If there are any questions, please contact {Name of Contact Person for licensee} at {Telephone Number for Contact Person}.

Sincerely,

{Signature of Licensee Representative}
{Typed Name of Licensee Representative}
{Title of Licensee Representative}

References (available for NRC review)

1. NEI 08-01, Industry Guideline for the ITAAC Closure Process Under
2. 10 CFR Part 52
3. Test/inspection record(s), report, completed procedure, analysis, etc., that form the ITAAC determination basis
4. Relevant plant inspection or test procedure
5. ITAAC Close-out Package retained on site

**APPENDIX D2 – EXAMPLE ITAAC CLOSURE LETTER AP1000
ITAAC 3.3.6 ITEM 7D**

XX/YY/ZZZZ (Date)

To: NRC

From: {Name of Licensee}
{Site Name and Unit #(s)}
{Docket #(s)}

Subject: Completion of ITAAC 3.3.6 item 7d

The purpose of this letter is to notify the NRC of the completion of EFG Nuclear Plant Inspection, Test, Analysis and Acceptance Criteria (ITAAC) 3.3.6 item 7d for Cable Separation in accordance with 10 CFR 52.99(c)(1). The closure process for this ITAAC is based on the guidance described in NEI 08-01(Reference 1).

ITAAC Statement

Design Commitment

ITAAC Table 3.3.6 (7d) Physical separation is maintained between Class 1E divisions and between Class 1E divisions and non-Class 1E cables

Inspection/Test/Analysis

Inspections of the as-built Class 1E raceways will be performed to confirm that the separation between Class 1E raceways of different divisions and between Class 1E raceways and non-Class 1E raceways is consistent with the following:

- *Within the main control room and remote shutdown room, the minimum vertical separation is 3 inches and the minimum horizontal separation is 1 inch.*
- *Within other plant areas (limited hazard areas), the minimum separation is defined by one of the following:*
 1. *The minimum vertical separation is 5 feet and the minimum horizontal separation is 3 feet.*
 2. *The minimum vertical separation is 12 inches and the minimum horizontal separation is 6 inches for raceways containing only instrumentation and control and low-voltage power cables <2/0 AWG.*
 3. *For configurations that involve exclusively limited energy content cables (instrumentation and control), the minimum vertical separation is 3 inches and the minimum horizontal separation is 1 inch.*

4. *For configurations involving an enclosed raceway and an open raceway, the minimum vertical separation is 1 inch if the enclosed raceway is below the open raceway.*
 5. *For configuration involving enclosed raceways, the minimum separation is 1 inch in both horizontal and vertical directions.*
- *Where minimum separation distances are not maintained, the circuits are run in enclosed raceways or barriers are provided.*
 - *Separation distances less than those specified above and not run in enclosed raceways or provided with barriers are based on analysis*
 - *Non-Class 1E wiring that is not separated from Class 1E or associated wiring by the minimum separation distance or by a barrier or analyzed is considered as associated circuits and subject to Class 1E requirements.*

Acceptance Criteria

Results of the inspection will confirm that the separation between Class 1E raceways of different divisions and between Class 1E raceways and non-Class 1E raceways is consistent with the followings:

- *Within the main control room and remote shutdown room, the vertical separation is 3 inches or more and the horizontal separation is 1 inch or more.*
- *Within other plant areas (limited hazard areas), the separation meets one of the following:*
 1. *The vertical separation is 5 feet or more and the horizontal separation is 3 feet or more except.*
 2. *The minimum vertical separation is 12 inches and the minimum horizontal separation is 6 inches for raceways containing only instrumentation and control and low-voltage power cables <2/0 AWG.*
 3. *For configurations that involve exclusively limited energy content cables (instrumentation and control), the minimum vertical separation is 3 inches and the minimum horizontal separation is 1 inch.*
 4. *For configurations that involve an enclosed raceway and an open raceway, the minimum vertical separation is 1 inch if the enclosed raceway is below the raceway.*
 5. *For configurations that involve enclosed raceways, the minimum vertical and horizontal separation is 1 inch.*
- *Where minimum separation distances are not met, the circuits are run in enclosed raceways or barriers are provided.*
- *A report exists and concludes that separation distances less than those specified above and not provided with enclosed raceways or barriers have been analyzed.*
- *Non-Class 1E wiring that is not separated from Class 1E or associated wiring by the minimum separation distance or by a barrier or analyzed is treated as Class 1E wiring.*

ITAAC Determination Basis

Inspections and analysis of plant components has been performed to ensure that “Physical separation is maintained between Class 1E divisions and between Class 1E divisions and non-Class 1E cables”.

The cable raceway system layout was designed using a three dimensional computer model. The raceways were routed through the model plant within an appropriate space reservation envelope to ensure that no violations of the separation requirements would occur. Construction drawings and Installation Specifications provided to the installer identified separation criteria, consistent with the ITAAC commitment, that were required to be met during erection activities.

The constructor installed the cable raceway in accordance with the “Released For Construction” drawings and the Installation Specifications. These components were presented for inspection by Quality Control as appropriate portions of the work completed. Independent verification of the Class 1E raceway installation by the Quality Control Group included inspection of the separation criteria attributes identified in “Released For Construction” drawings and the Installation Specifications and was recorded in the inspection report. The completed raceway tickets for the satisfactorily installed and inspected raceways were turned in and recorded in the site’s Electrical Raceway and Cable Tracking System.

Raceway completion and cable route was validated by Quality Control walk-down of the designated raceways prior to pulling Class 1E cables. Any deviations were documented and resolved prior to cable pull. The completed cable pull tickets for the satisfactorily installed and inspected cables were turned in and recorded in the site’s Electrical Raceway and Cable Tracking System.

Cable training within cabinets was independently verified by Quality Control for separation attributes through a series of documented inspections as cables were installed and terminated. The completed termination tickets for the satisfactorily installed and inspected cables were turned in and recorded in the site’s Electrical Raceway and Cable Tracking System.

Prior to final acceptance of the overall Class 1E raceway and cable system Engineering and Quality Control performed a walk-down of the plant Class 1E electrical components to identify any potential violations of the required cable separation criteria. Any deviations were identified, recorded, dispositioned and resolved prior to issuing the Final Report. The walk-down was performed in accordance with the site Cable Separation Final Walk-down Procedure (Reference 2).

Review of the inspection reports, the site’s Electrical Raceway and Cable Tracking System, Design Change documents, Nonconformance Reports, and the Final Report concludes that the cable installed in the plant has been inspected and reviewed to ensure that the required physical separation between cables from different Class 1E divisions and between Class 1E cables and non-Class 1E cables has been achieved. All exceptions to the separation criteria identified in the installation specification and the project drawings have been identified by Design Change

documents or Nonconformance Reports. These exceptions whether identified during installation or by final walk down of the as built configuration have been evaluated and either corrected, mitigated or accepted as is.

The Cable Separation Final Report concludes that separation distances are satisfactory. Those separation distances less than specified by the ITAAC criteria and not provided with enclosed raceways or barriers have been analyzed and determined to be satisfactory. The Cable Separation Final Report (Reference 3) is available for NRC review at the EFG plant site.

ITAAC Related Construction Finding Review

In accordance with plant procedures for ITAAC close-out, {Licensee} performed a review of ITAAC-related construction findings and associated corrective actions. This review determined that three such findings, listed below, have been identified.

1. {ITAAC-related construction finding #1}
2. {ITAAC-related construction finding #2}
3. {ITAAC-related construction finding #3}

The corrective actions for each finding have been completed and each finding closed. This review is documented in the close-out package for ITAAC 3.3.6 item 7d (Reference 4), which is available for NRC review. NRC closure of these findings is available on the Construction Inspection Program Management System (CIPMS) portion of the NRC website for this docket and may be located by referencing the NRC finding numbers provided above.

ITAAC Closure Statement

Based on the above information, EFG Nuclear Plant hereby notifies the NRC that ITAAC 3.3.6 item 7d has been reviewed and the installation achieves the prescribed acceptance criteria.

We request NRC staff confirmation of this determination and publication of the required notice in the Federal Register per 10 CFR 52.99.

If there are any questions, please contact {Name of Contact Person for licensee} at {Telephone Number for Contact Person}.

Sincerely,

{Signature of Licensee Representative}
{Typed Name of Licensee Representative}
{Title of Licensee Representative}

References (available for NRC review)

1. NEI 08-01, Industry Guideline for the ITAAC Closure Process Under 10 CFR Part 52
2. Cable Separation Final Walk-down Procedure
3. ITAAC 3.3.6 item 7d Cable Separation Final Report –EFG xyz, Revision 0
4. ITAAC 3.3.6 item 7d Closeout Package

**APPENDIX D3 – EXAMPLE ITAAC CLOSURE LETTER ABWR ITAAC 2.15.12
ITEM 5**

XX/YY/ZZZZ (Date)

To: NRC

From: {Name of Licensee}
{Site Name and Unit #(s)}
{Docket #(s)}

Subject: Completion of ABWR ITAAC 2.15.12 Item 5

The purpose of this letter is to notify the NRC of the completion of {Site Name and Unit #(s)} Inspection, Test, Analysis, and Acceptance Criteria (ITAAC) Item 2.15.12 Item 5 for the Control Building (C/B) Main Control Room system, in accordance with 10 CFR 52.99(c)(1). The closure process for this ITAAC is based on the guidance described in NEI 08-01 (Reference 1).

ITAAC Statement

Design Commitment

The main control area envelope is separated from the rest of the C/B by walls, floors, doors and penetrations which have a three-hour fire rating.

Inspection/Test/Analysis

Inspections of the as-built structure will be conducted.

Acceptance Criteria

The as-built C/B has a main control area envelope separated from the rest of the C/B by walls, floors, doors and penetrations which have a three-hour fire rating.

ITAAC Determination Basis

Licensee performed a visual inspection in accordance with Reference 2, coupled with a review of installation records to verify the C/B Main Control Room Envelope is separated from the rest of the C/B by walls, floors, doors, and penetrations having three (3) hour fire rating. Inspections confirmed the as-built configuration and meets ITAAC 2.15.12 Item 5 Acceptance Criteria.

The purpose of these inspections was to assure that the C/B envelope boundaries have been procured and installed in accordance with approved design and meets the required three (3) hour fire rating. Inspections consisted of civil/structural and penetration seal installation construction records, procurement records in support of the three hour fire rating, and a final visual inspection of all C/B envelope boundaries to confirm as-built configuration and conformance with approved design.

ITAAC Related Construction Finding Review

In accordance with plant procedures for ITAAC close-out, {Licensee} performed a review of ITAAC-related construction findings and associated corrective actions. This review determined that three such findings, listed below, have been identified.

1. {ITAAC-related construction finding #1}
2. {ITAAC-related construction finding #2}
3. {ITAAC-related construction finding #3}

The corrective actions for each finding have been completed and each finding closed. This review is documented in the close-out package for ITAAC 2.15.12 Item 5 (Reference 3), which is available for NRC review. NRC closure of these findings is available on the Construction Inspection Program Management System (CIPMS) portion of the NRC website for this docket and may be located by referencing the NRC finding numbers provided above.

ITAAC Closure Statement

Based on the above information, {Licensee} hereby notifies the NRC that ITAAC 2.15.12 Item 5 was performed for {Site Name and Unit #(s)}, and that the prescribed acceptance criteria were met.

We request NRC staff confirmation of this determination and publication of the required notice in the Federal Register per 10 CFR 52.99.

If there are any questions, please contact {Name of Contact Person for licensee} at {Telephone Number for Contact Person}.

Sincerely,

{Signature of Licensee Representative}
{Typed Name of Licensee Representative}
{Title of Licensee Representative}

References (available for NRC review)

1. NEI-08-01, Industry Guideline for the ITAAC Closure Process Under 10 CFR Part 52
2. C/B CRE as-built walk-down/inspection Procedure, C/B-CRE-WD-XXXX
3. ITAAC 2.15.12 Item 5 Closeout Package

APPENDIX D4 – EXAMPLE ITAAC CLOSURE LETTER ABWR ITAAC 2.3.3 ITEM 3

XX/YY/ZZZZ (Date)

To: NRC

From: {Name of Licensee}
{Site Name and Unit #(s)}
{Docket #(s)}

Subject: Completion of ABWR ITAAC 2.3.3 Item 3

The purpose of this letter is to notify the NRC of the completion of {Site Name and Unit #(s)} Inspection, Test, Analysis, and Acceptance Criteria (ITAAC) Item 2.3.3 Item 3a and 3b for the Containment Atmospheric Monitoring System (CAMS), in accordance with 10 CFR 52.99(c)(1). The closure process for this ITAAC is based on the guidance described in NEI 08-01 (Reference 1).

ITAAC Statement

The ITAAC stated below represents an NRC approved departure from the ABWR DCD.

Design Commitment

Each CAMS division of radiation channels is powered from its respective divisional Class 1E power source. In the CAMS, independence is provided between Class 1E divisions, and between Class 1E divisions and non-Class 1E equipment.

Inspection/Test/Analysis

Item 3a - Tests will be performed on each of the CAMS radiation channels by providing a test signal to only one Class 1E division at a time.

Item 3b - Inspection of the as-built Class 1E radiation channels will be performed.

Acceptance Criteria

Item 3a – The test signal exists only in the Class 1E division under test in the CAMS.

Item 3b – In the CAMS, physical separation or electrical isolation exists between Class 1E divisions. Physical separation or electrical isolation exists between these Class 1E divisions and non-Class 1E equipment.

ITAAC Determination Basis

Item 3a – Testing consisted of independent test signal introduction into each radiation channel to confirm division and channel independence and separation. Testing was performed in accordance with Pre-Operational Test Procedure ABWR PTP-CAMS-0001 (Reference 4). Testing has been performed on both CAMS radiation channels to confirm test signal introduction into each division and channel does **not** result in a signal being detected in the other division and channels of CAMS. Test results indicate Acceptance Criteria contained in ITAAC 2.3.3 Item 3a has been satisfied.

Item 3b – Inspections have been performed to ensure that physical separation exists between Class 1E CAMS radiation channels and between Class 1E CAMS divisions and non-Class 1E equipment. The design and installation of CAMS related equipment was in accordance with Regulatory Guide 1.75 (Reference 5) as identified in section 8.3 of the ABWR DCD. These inspections consisted of a review of construction in-process installation and Quality Control records, where separation requirements are built into the process used for raceway and cable design and routing.

Construction drawings and Installation Specifications provide the installer/contractor with identified separation criteria, consistent with the ITAAC commitment and were met during construction activities.

Raceway completion and cable route were validated by Quality Control walk-down of the designated raceways prior to pulling Class 1E cables.

Cable routing within cabinets was independently verified by Quality Control for separation attributes through a series of documented inspections as cables were installed and terminated.

A final walkdown was performed of the Class 1E CAMS installed equipment using STP Walkdown Procedure XXX to verify that there is no interference from non-Class 1E equipment installed in the area.

Based on a review of construction installation and independent Quality Control records, the Licensee has determined the Acceptance Criteria contained in ITAAC 2.3.3 Item 3b were met.

ITAAC Related Construction Finding Review

In accordance with plant procedures for ITAAC close-out, {Licensee} performed a review of ITAAC-related construction findings and associated corrective actions. This review determined that three such findings, listed below, have been identified.

1. {ITAAC-related construction finding #1}
2. {ITAAC-related construction finding #2}
3. {ITAAC-related construction finding #3}

The corrective actions for each finding have been completed and each finding closed. This review is documented in the close-out package for ITAAC 2.3.3 Item 3a and 3b (Reference 3), which is available for NRC review. NRC closure of these findings is available on the Construction Inspection Program Management System (CIPMS) portion of the NRC website for this docket and may be located by referencing the NRC finding numbers provided above.

ITAAC Closure Statement

Based on the above information, {Licensee} hereby notifies the NRC that ITAAC 2.3.3 Item 3a and 3b were performed for {Site Name and Unit #(s)}, and that the prescribed acceptance criteria were met.

We request NRC staff confirmation of this determination and publication of the required notice in the Federal Register per 10 CFR 52.99.

If there are any questions, please contact {Name of Contact Person for licensee} at {Telephone Number for Contact Person}.

Sincerely,

{Signature of Licensee Representative}
{Typed Name of Licensee Representative}
{Title of Licensee Representative}

References (available for NRC review)

1. NEI-08-01, Industry Guideline for the ITAAC Closure Process under 10 CFR Part 52
2. ABWR Reference Combined License (R-COL)
3. ITAAC 2.3.3 Item 3a and 3b Closeout Package
4. ABWR PTP-CAMS-0001, ABWR CAMS Pre-Operational Test Procedure
5. Regulatory Guide 1.75, Criteria For Independence Of Electrical Safety Systems
6. STP Walkdown Procedure XXX, Walkdown of Class 1E Equipment Installation

**APPENDIX D5 – EXAMPLE ITAAC CLOSURE LETTER ABWR ITAAC 3.3 ITEM
1**

XX/YY/ZZZZ (Date)

To: NRC

From: {Name of Licensee}
{Site Name and Unit #(s)}
{Docket #(s)}

Subject: Completion of ABWR ITAAC 3.3 Item 1

The purpose of this letter is to notify the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) of the completion of {Site Name and Unit #(s)} Inspection, Test, Analysis and Acceptance Criteria (ITAAC) 3.3 Item 1, ASME Piping Design Criteria, in accordance with 10 CFR 52.99(c)(1). The closure process for this ITAAC is based on the guidance described in NEI 08-01 (Reference 1).

ITAAC Statement

Design Commitment

The piping system shall be designed to meet its ASME Code Class and Seismic Category I requirements.

The ASME Code Class 1, 2, and 3 piping system shall be designed to retain its pressure integrity and functional capability under internal design and operating pressures and design basis loads. Piping and piping components shall be designed to show compliance with the requirements of ASME Code Section III.

Inspection/Test/Analysis

Inspections of ASME Code required documents will be conducted.

Acceptance Criteria

An ASME Code Certified Stress Report exists for the piping system and concludes that the design complies with the requirements of ASME Code, Section III.

ITAAC Determination Basis

The ASME Code classifications of ABWR piping systems are defined in Section 3.2 of the Tier 2 material of the ABWR DCD. The piping systems and their ASME Code Certified Stress

Reports are listed in Table 1 (attached). All Stress Reports are identified in the ITAAC closure package (Reference 2).

Inspection Procedure XYZ (Reference 3) documents the scope of review for each of the ASME Code Certified Stress Reports. The scope of review includes the following areas:

- The piping system Design Specification in accordance with ASME Code Section III, Subsection NCA-3252, including loading definitions and load combinations.
- Thermal Analysis, in accordance with ASME Code Section III, Appendix C-1200, and applicable Subsection NB, NC or ND.
- Structural Analysis, in accordance with ASME Code Section III, Appendix C-1300, and applicable Subsection NB, NC or ND.
- Fatigue Analysis for the Class 1 piping and for the Class 3 SRV discharge piping in the wetwell and the SRV quenchers, in accordance with ASME Code Section III, Appendix C-1400, and applicable Subsection NB, NC or ND.

Inspections of the ASME Code Certified Stress Reports listed in attached Table 1 verify that the design of each piping system complies with the requirements of ASME Code, Section III, 1989 Edition, in accordance with the certified design.

ITAAC-Related Construction Finding Review

In accordance with plant procedures for ITAAC close-out, {Licensee} performed a review of ITAAC-related construction findings and associated corrective actions. This review determined that X associated findings, listed below, have been identified.

1. {ITAAC-related construction finding #1}
2. {ITAAC-related construction finding #2}
3. {ITAAC-related construction finding #3}

The corrective actions for each finding have been completed and each finding closed. This review is documented in the close-out package for ITAAC 3.3 Item 1, (Reference 2), which is available for NRC review. NRC closure of these findings is available on the Construction Inspection Program Management System (CIPMS) portion of the NRC website for this docket and may be located by referencing the NRC finding numbers provided above.

ITAAC Closure Statement

Based on the above information, {Licensee Name} hereby notifies the NRC that ITAAC 3.3 Item 1 was performed for {Site Name and Unit #(s)}, and that the prescribed acceptance criteria were met.

We request NRC staff confirmation of this determination and publication of the required notice in the Federal Register per 10 CFR 52.99.

If there are any questions, please contact {Name of Contact Person for licensee} at {Telephone Number for Contact Person}.

Sincerely,

{Signature of Licensee Representative}
{Typed Name of Licensee Representative}
{Title of Licensee Representative}

References (available for NRC review)

1. NEI 08-01, Industry Guideline for the ITAAC Closure Process under 10 CFR Part 52
2. ITAAC Close-out Package for ITAAC 3.3 Item 1
3. Inspection Procedure XYZ, "Review of ASME Code Certified Stress Reports"

Table 1. ABWR Piping System ASME Code Design Summary

Piping System ^(Note 1)	ASME Code Class(es) ^(Note 2)	ASME Code Subsection(s) ^(Note 3)	Certified Stress Report(s)
Nuclear Boiler (includes MSL and FW systems, RPV head vent and main steam drains)	1, 2 and 3	NB, NC and ND	Stress Report A Stress Report B Stress Report C Stress Report D Stress Report E Stress Report F Stress Report G
Reactor Recirculation	2	NC	Stress Report H
Control Rod Drive (insert line)	2	NC	Stress Report I
Standby Liquid Control	1 and 2	NB and NC	Stress Report J Stress Report K
Residual Heat Removal	1 and 2	NB and NC	Stress Report L Stress Report M
High Pressure Core Flooder	1 and 2	NB and NC	Stress Report N Stress Report O
Leak Detection and Isolation (sample lines and isolation valves)	2	NC	Stress Report P
Reactor Core Isolation Cooling	1, 2 and 3	NB, NC and ND	Stress Report Q Stress Report R Stress Report S
Reactor Water Cleanup	1 and 3	NB and ND	Stress Report T Stress Report U
Fuel Pool Cooling and Cleanup (RHR piping for safety-related make-up and supplemental cooling)	3	ND	Stress Report V
Suppression Pool Cleanup	2	NC	Stress Report W
Radwaste (portions forming part of containment boundary)	2	NC	Stress Report X
Makeup Water (Purified) (portions forming part of containment boundary)	2	NC	Stress Report Y
Makeup Water (Condensate) (condensate header piping)	2	NC	Stress Report Z
Reactor Building Cooling Water	2 and 3	NC and ND	Stress Report AA Stress Report BB
HVAC Normal Cooling Water (portions forming part of containment boundary)	2	NC	Stress Report CC
HVAC Emergency Cooling Water	3	ND	Stress Report DD
Reactor Service Water (safety-related portions)	3	ND	Stress Report EE
Station Service Air (containment isolation)	2	NC	Stress Report FF
Instrument Air Service (containment isolation)	2	NC	Stress Report GG
High Pressure Nitrogen Gas Supply	2 and 3	NC and ND	Stress Report HH Stress Report II

Piping System ^(Note 1)	ASME Code Class(es) ^(Note 2)	ASME Code Subsection(s) ^(Note 3)	Certified Stress Report(s)
Emergency Diesel Generator (including fuel oil, cooling water and lube oil piping)	3	ND	Stress Report JJ
Primary Containment (suppression chamber/drywell vacuum breakers)	2	NC	Stress Report KK
Atmospheric Control	2 and 3	NC and ND	Stress Report LL Stress Report MM
Diesel Generator Fuel Oil Storage and Transfer System	3	ND	Stress Report NN

Notes:

1. See Table 3.2-1 in the Tier 2 material in the DCD for Safety Class designations of specific portions of each system. Most systems also include Class N (non-safety, non-ASME Code) portions, which are not identified in this table.
2. Per Tables 3.2-2 and 3.2-3 in the Tier 2 material in the DCD, Safety Classes 1, 2 and 3 correspond to ASME Code Classes 1, 2 and 3. All three Safety Classes are Seismic Category 1.
3. Supports for all listed piping systems are designed in accordance with Subsection NF. The Subsection NCA requirements for Design Specifications and Design Reports Subsection NCA apply to all three ASME Classes.

**APPENDIX D6 – EXAMPLE ITAAC CLOSURE LETTER AP1000 ITAAC 2.1.1
ITEM 4**

XX/YY/ZZZZ (Date)

To: NRC

From: {Name of Licensee}
{Site Name and Unit #(s)}
{Docket #(s)}

Subject: Completion of ITAAC 2.1.1 item 4

The purpose of this letter is to notify the NRC of the completion of EFG Nuclear Plant Inspection, Test, Analysis and Acceptance Criteria (ITAAC) 2.1.1 item 4 for Refueling Machine (RM) and Fuel Handling Machine (FHM) gripper assemblies in accordance with 10 CFR 52.99(c)(1). The closure process for this ITAAC is based on the guidance described in NEI 08-01(Reference 1).

ITAAC Statement

Design Commitment

The RM and FHM gripper assemblies are designed to prevent opening while the weight of the fuel assembly is suspended from the gripper.

Inspection/Test/Analysis

The RM and FHM will be tested by operating the open controls of the gripper while suspending a dummy fuel assembly.

Acceptance Criteria

The gripper will not open while suspending a dummy test assembly.

ITAAC Determination Basis

Tests were performed to demonstrate that the as-built RM and FHM gripper assemblies prevent opening while the full weight of the fuel assembly is suspended from the gripper as designed.

A dummy fuel assembly was lifted by the Fuel Handling Machine using test procedure APP-XX-YYY-## (Reference 2) to a sufficient height to be fully suspended. At this height the open controls for the FHM grippers were exercised per operating procedures for releasing the fuel assembly. The grippers did not open. Thus, the FHM grippers met the acceptance criteria in that they did not open while suspending a fuel assembly.

A dummy fuel assembly was lifted by the Refueling Machine using test procedure APP-XX-YYY-## (Reference 2) to a sufficient height to be fully suspended. At this height the open controls for the RM grippers were exercised per operating procedures for releasing the fuel assembly. The grippers did not open. Thus, the RM grippers met the acceptance criteria in that they did not open while suspending a fuel assembly.

Reference 3 documents the test results and analysis and is available for NRC review.

ITAAC-Related Construction Finding Review

In accordance with plant procedures for ITAAC close-out, the {licensee} performed a review of all ITAAC-related construction findings pertaining to the subject ITAAC and associated corrective actions. This review found that there were no relevant ITAAC-related construction findings associated with this ITAAC. The ITAAC close-out review is documented in ITAAC Closeout Package for ITAAC 2.1.1 item 4 (Reference 4) and available for NRC review.

ITAAC Closure Statement

Based on the above information, EFG Nuclear Plant hereby notifies the NRC that ITAAC 2.1.1 item 4 was performed and that the prescribed acceptance criteria were met.

We request NRC staff confirmation of this determination and publication of the required notice in the Federal Register per 10 CFR 52.99.

If there are any questions, please contact {Name of Contact Person for licensee} at {Telephone Number for Contact Person}.

Sincerely,

{Signature of Licensee Representative}
{Typed Name of Licensee Representative}
{Title of Licensee Representative}

References (available for NRC review)

1. NEI 08-01, Industry Guideline for the ITAAC Closure Process Under 10 CFR Part 52
2. APP-XX-YYY-###, ITAAC 2.1.1 item 4 Refueling Machine and Fuel Handling Machine Grippers Test Procedure
3. ITAAC 2.1.1 item 4 Refueling Machine and Fuel Handling Machine Grippers Test Record
4. ITAAC 2.1.1 item 4 Closeout Package

APPENDIX D7 – EXAMPLE ITAAC CLOSURE LETTER AP1000 ITAAC 2.1.2-4 ITEM 3B

XX/YY/ZZZZ (Date)

To: NRC

From: {Name of Licensee}
{Site Name and Unit #(s)}
{Docket #(s)}

Subject: Completion of ITAAC 2.1.2-4 Item 3b

The purpose of this letter is to notify Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) of the completion of {Site Name and Unit #(s)} Inspections, Tests, Analyses, and Acceptance Criteria (ITAAC) 2.1.2- item 3b for the Reactor Coolant System (RCS), in accordance with 10 CFR 52.99(c)(1). The closure process for this ITAAC Item is based on the guidance described in Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) Guidance Document NEI 08-01 (Reference 1).

ITAAC Statement

Design Commitment

Pressure boundary welds in piping identified in Table 2.1.2-2 as American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) Code Section III meet ASME Code Section III requirements.

Inspections/Tests/Analyses

Inspection of the as-built pressure boundary welds will be performed in accordance with the ASME Code Section III.

Acceptance Criteria

A report exists and concludes that the ASME Code Section III requirements are met for non-destructive examination of pressure boundary welds.

ITAAC Determination Basis

{Licensee} performed inspections in accordance with the ASME Code Section III {cite applicable edition and addenda} of the as-built pressure boundary welds in piping identified in Table 2.1.2-2 as ASME Code Section III. The non-destructive examinations (e.g., visual inspection, liquid penetrant, magnetic particle, radiographic, and ultrasonic testing) of pressure boundary welds are documented in traveler packages which support completion of the N-5 Code Data Report(s) certified by the Authorized Nuclear Inspector, as listed in Reference Table XX. Per ASME Code Section III, Subarticle NCA-8300, "Code Symbol Stamps," the N-5 Code Data Report indicates the satisfactory completion of the required examination and testing of the item,

which include the required non-destructive examination of pressure boundary welds. Satisfactory completion of the non-destructive examination of pressure boundary welds ensures that the pressure boundary welds in piping identified in Table 2.1.2-2 as ASME Code Section III meet ASME Code Section III requirements.

ITAAC-Related Construction Finding Review

In accordance with plant procedures for ITAAC close-out, {Licensee} performed a review of all ITAAC-related construction findings and associated corrective actions. This review determined that the following findings, listed below, have been identified.

1. {ITAAC-related construction finding #1}
2. {ITAAC-related construction finding #2}
3. {ITAAC-related construction finding #3}

The corrective actions for each finding are complete and each finding is closed. This review is documented in the close-out package (Reference 1) for ITAAC 2.1.2-4(3b), which is available for NRC review. NRC closure of these findings is available on the Construction Inspection Program Management System (CIPMS) portion of the NRC website for this docket and may be located by referencing the NRC finding numbers provided above.

ITAAC Closure Statement

Based on the above information, {Licensee} hereby notifies the NRC that ITAAC 2.1.2-4(3b) was performed for {Site Name and Unit #(s)}, and that the prescribed acceptance criteria were met.

{Licensee} requests NRC staff confirmation of this determination and publication of the required notice in the Federal Register per 10 CFR 52.99.

If there are any questions, please contact {Name of Contact Person for licensee} at {Telephone Number for Contact Person}.

Sincerely,

{Signature of Licensee Representative}
{Typed Name of Licensee Representative}
{Title of Licensee Representative}

References (available for NRC review)

1. NEI 08-01, Industry Guideline for the ITAAC Closure Process Under 10 CFR Part 52
2. ITAAC 2.1.2-4(3b) Close Out Package
3. NEI Guidance Document NEI-08-XX
4. NDE Testing & Inspection Procedures
5. Reference Table XX

Reference Table XX

Line Name	Line Number	N-5 Code Date Report Number
Hot Legs	RCS-L001A RCS-L001B	RCS-XXX...
Cold Legs	RCS-L002A RCS-L002B RCS-L002C RCS-L002D	
Pressurizer Surge Line	RCS-L003	
ADS Inlet Headers	RCS-L004A/B RCS-L006A/B RCS-L030A/B RCS-L020A/B	
Safety Valve Inlet Piping	RCS-L005A RCS-L005B	
Safety Valve Discharge Piping	RCS-L050A/B RCS-L051A/B	
ADS First-stage Valve Inlet Piping	RCS-L010A/B RCS-L011A/B	
ADS Second-stage Valve Inlet Piping	RCS-L021A/B RCS-L022A/B	
ADS Third-stage Valve Inlet Piping	RCS-L031A/B RCS-L032A/B	
ADS Outlet Piping	RCS-L012A/B RCS-L023A/B RCS-L033A/B RCS-L061A/B RCS-L063A/B RCS-L064A/B RCS-L200A/B PXS-L130A/B	
ADS Fourth-stage Inlet Piping	RCS-L133A/B RCS-L135A/B RCS-L136A/B RCS-L137A/B	
Pressurizer Spray Piping	RCS-L110A/B RCS-L212A/B RCS-L213 RCS-L215	

APPENDIX D8 – EXAMPLE ITAAC CLOSURE LETTER AP1000 ITAAC 2.5.2-8 ITEM 10

XX/YY/ZZZZ (Date)

To: NRC

From: {Name of Licensee}
{Site Name and Unit #(s)}
{Docket #(s)}

Subject: Completion of ITAAC 2.5.2-8 Item10

The purpose of this letter is to notify Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) of the completion of {Site Name and Unit #(s)} Inspections, Tests, Analyses, and Acceptance Criteria (ITAAC) 2.5.2-8 item 10 for the Protection and Safety Monitoring System (PMS), in accordance with 10 CFR 52.99(c)(1). The closure process for this ITAAC is based on the guidance described in NEI 08-01(Reference 1).

ITAAC Statement

Design Commitment

Setpoints are determined using a methodology which accounts for loop inaccuracies, response testing, and maintenance or replacement of instrumentation.

Inspection/Test/Analysis

Inspection will be performed for a document that describes the methodology and input parameters used to determine the PMS setpoints.

Acceptance Criteria

A report exists and concludes that the PMS setpoints are determined using a methodology which accounts for loop inaccuracies, response testing, and maintenance or replacement of instrumentation.

ITAAC Determination Basis

Instrument setpoints for permanently installed instrumentation are determined using methodology specified in Procedure XXX, *Instrument Uncertainty and Setpoint Calculation Guidelines* (Reference 2). This methodology accounts for loop inaccuracies, response testing, and maintenance or replacement of instrumentation.

{Licensee} performed an inspection of Engineering Report YYY, *Setpoint Determination for the Protection and Safety Monitoring System* (Reference 3), which established the setpoints for the PMS system. The purpose of the inspection was to confirm that the PMS setpoints were

determined using Reference 1 and that the procedure specifies a methodology that takes into account instrument loop uncertainties and inaccuracies, response testing results, and maintenance or replacement activities. This inspection is documented in Inspection Report ZZZ, *Closure of ITAAC 2.5.2-8, #10* (Reference 4).

The inspection determined that References 1 and 2 were used for the PMS setpoints and that Reference 1 provides specific instructions for calculating instrument and loop uncertainty setpoints. The input parameters for the calculation include instrument and loop uncertainties and inaccuracies, response testing results, and maintenance or replacement activities.

Therefore, Inspection Report ZZZ (Reference 4) exists and concludes that the PMS setpoints are determined using a methodology which accounts for loop inaccuracies, response testing, and maintenance or replacement of instrumentation.

ITAAC-Related Construction Finding Review

In accordance with plant procedures for ITAAC close-out, {Licensee} performed a review of ITAAC-related construction findings and associated corrective actions. This review determined that three associated findings, listed below, have been identified.

1. {ITAAC-related construction finding #1}
2. {ITAAC-related construction finding #2}
3. {ITAAC-related construction finding #3}

The corrective actions for each finding have been completed and each finding closed. This review is documented in the close-out package for ITAAC 2.5.2-8, #10 (Reference 5), which is available for NRC review. NRC closure of these findings is available on the Construction Inspection Program Management System (CIPMS) portion of the NRC website for this docket and may be located by referencing the NRC finding numbers provided above.

ITAAC Closure Statement

Based on the above information, {Licensee} hereby notifies the NRC that {Licensee} has performed ITAAC 2.5.2-8 item 10 for {Site Name and Unit #(s)}, and that the prescribed acceptance criteria were met.

{Licensee} requests NRC staff confirmation of this determination and publication of the required notice in the Federal Register per 10 CFR 52.99.

If there are any questions, please contact {name of contact person for Licensee} at {telephone # for contact person}.

Sincerely,

{Signature of Licensee Representative}
{Typed Name of Licensee Representative}
{Title of Licensee Representative}

References (available for NRC review)

1. NEI 08-01, Industry Guideline for the ITAAC Closure Process Under 10 CFR Part 52
2. Procedure XXX, Instrument Uncertainty and Setpoint Calculation Guidelines
3. Engineering Report YYY, Setpoint Determination for the Protection and Safety Monitoring System
4. Inspection Report ZZZ, Closure of ITAAC 2.5.2-8 item10
5. ITAAC 2.5.2-8 item 10 Close-Out Package

APPENDIX D9 – EXAMPLE ITAAC CLOSURE LETTER AP1000 ITAAC 3.3-6 ITEMS 2.A.I AND II

To: NRC

From: {Name of Licensee}
{Site Name and Unit #(s)}
{Docket #(s)}

Subject: Completion of AP1000 ITAAC 3.3-6 Items 2a) i) & ii)

The purpose of this letter is to notify Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) of the completion of {Site Name and Unit #(s)} Inspections, Tests, Analyses, and Acceptance Criteria (ITAAC) 3.3-6 Items 2a) i) & ii) for the Protection and Safety Monitoring System (PMS), in accordance with 10 CFR 52.99(c)(1). The closure process for this ITAAC is based on the guidance described in NEI 08-01(Reference 1).

ITAAC Statement

Design Commitment

2.a) *The nuclear island structures, including the critical sections listed in Table 3.3-7, are seismic Category I and are designed and constructed to withstand design basis loads as specified in the Design Description, without loss of structural integrity and the safety-related functions.*

The Inspections, Tests, and Analyses

- i) *An inspection of the nuclear island structures will be performed. Deviations from the design due to as-built conditions will be analyzed for the design basis loads.*
- ii) *An inspection of the as-built concrete thickness will be performed.*

Acceptance Criteria

- i) *A report exists which reconciles deviations during construction and concludes that the as-built nuclear island structures, including the critical sections, conform to the approved design and will withstand the design basis loads specified in the Design Description without loss of structural integrity or the safety-related functions.*
- ii) *A report exists that conclude that the as-built concrete thicknesses conform with the building sections defined on Table 3.3-1.*

ITAAC Determination Basis

The design bases loads as defined in the AP1000 Design Control Document [AP1000 DCD Rev. 16] are those loads associated with:

- Normal plant operation (including dead loads, live loads, lateral earth pressure loads, and equipment loads, including hydrodynamic loads, temperature and equipment vibration);
- External events (including rain, snow, flood, tornado, tornado generated missiles and earthquake); and
- Internal events (including flood, pipe rupture, equipment failure, and equipment failure generated missiles).

AP1000 DCD Section 3.7 “Seismic Analysis”, Section 3.8 “Design of Category I Structures” and Appendix 3H “Auxiliary Building Critical Sections” describe the analyses for the design basis loads for the NI Structures. Section 3.8 specifies the applicable codes and standards governing the design, materials, fabrication, construction inspection and testing for the NI structures. Section 3.8 also describes the as-built design summary reports which document that the seismic Category I structures meet the specified acceptance criteria.

The as-built nuclear island (NI) structures including the critical sections listed in Table 3.3-7, were constructed as designed and specified in the AP1000 DCD to withstand design basis loads as specified in the Design Description, without loss of structural integrity and the safety-related functions.

- i) NI structures were inspected during construction to verify the as-built structures conform to the specified design, codes and standards. Identified structural deviations were documented in Non-conformance reports and entered into the site corrective action program. Each NI structural deviation was evaluated by engineering individually and collectively to determine their impact to the structures’ ability to withstand design basis loads. As-built Design Summary Report XXX (Reference 4) documents the reconciliation of NI structural deviations identified during construction and concludes that the as-built NI structures will withstand the design basis loads specified in the Design Description without loss of structural integrity or safety-related functions. An ITAAC closure evaluation was performed on As-built Design Summary Report XXX to verify that the deviation reconciliation report has been completed and addresses the construction identified structural deviations.
- ii) As-built Nuclear Island wall dimensional surveys were performed in accordance with the Construction Field Survey Procedure (Reference 2) for the critical section identified in Table 3.3-7 (Enclosure 1) to verify the wall thicknesses specified in Table 3.3-1 (Enclosure 2). These surveys were conducted on the concrete forms prior to placement and on the as-built walls subsequent to removal of the forms. As-built Design Summary Report XYZ (Reference 5) documents the evaluation performed to determine if as-built wall thickness specified meet the acceptance criteria in Table 3.3-1 or reconciles any dimensional deviations. The As-built Design Summary Report XYZ documents and concludes the as-built concrete thicknesses conform to the wall dimensions defined in Table 3.3-1 and all deviations were appropriately evaluated and dispositioned. An ITAAC closure evaluation was performed on As-built Design Summary Report to verify that the report addresses the critical sections and dimensions and appropriately resolves any deviations.

The EFG Plant ITAAC closure evaluation, survey records, As-built Design Summary Report XXX and XYZ are retained in the EFG Plant ITAAC 3.3-6 Items 2a) ii) Closeout Package (Reference 3) and are available for NRC review at the EFG Plant site.

ITAAC Related Construction finding Review

In accordance with plant procedures for ITAAC close-out, **EFG Nuclear Plant** performed a review of ITAAC-related construction findings and associated corrective actions. This review determined that three associated findings, listed below, have been identified.

1. {ITAAC-related construction finding #1}
2. {ITAAC-related construction finding #2}
3. {ITAAC-related construction finding #3}

The corrective actions for each finding have been completed and each finding closed. This review is documented in the close-out package for ITAAC 3.3-6 Items 2 a) i) and ii) (Reference 3), which is available for NRC review. NRC closure of these findings is available on the Construction Inspection Program Management System (CIPMS) portion of the NRC website for this docket may be located by referencing the NRC finding numbers provided above.

ITAAC Closure Statement

Based on the above information, New Reactor Licensee hereby notifies the NRC that ITAAC 3.3-6 Items 2 a) i) and ii) was performed for **EFG Nuclear Plant** and Units 1 & 2, and that the prescribed acceptance criteria were met.

We request NRC staff confirmation of this determination and publication of the required notice in the Federal Register per 10 CFR 52.99.

If there are any questions, please contact {Name of Contact Person for licensee} at {Telephone Number for Contact Person}.

Sincerely,

{Signature of Licensee Representative}
{Typed Name of Licensee Representative}
{Title of Licensee Representative}

Enclosures:

1. Table 3.3-7
2. Table 3.3-1

References (available for NRC review)

1. NEI 08-01, Industry Guideline for the ITAAC Closure Process Under 10 CFR Part 52
2. EFG Plant, ITAAC 3.3-6 Items 2a) ii) Closeout Package
3. Construction Field Survey Procedure EFG-XXX-XXX
4. As-built Design Summary Report XXX
5. As-built Design Summary Report XYZ

Enclosure 1
Table 3.3-7
Nuclear Island Critical Structural Sections

Table 3.3-7 Nuclear Island Critical Structural Sections
<u>Containment Internal Structures</u> South west wall of the refueling cavity South wall of the west steam generator cavity North east wall of the in-containment refueling water storage tank In-containment refueling water storage tank steel wall Column supporting the operating floor
<u>Auxiliary and Shield Building</u> South wall of auxiliary building (column line 1), elevation 66'-6" to elevation 180'-0" Interior wall of auxiliary building (column line 7.3), elevation 66'-6" to elevation 160'-6" West wall of main control room in auxiliary building (column line L), elevation 117'-6" to elevation 153'-0" North wall of MSIV east compartment (column line 11 between lines P and Q), elevation 117'-6" to elevation 153'-0" Shield building cylinder, elevation 160'-6" to elevation 200'-0" Roof slab at elevation 180'-0" adjacent to shield building cylinder Floor slab on metal decking at elevation 135'-3" 2'-0" slab in auxiliary building (tagging room ceiling) at elevation 135'-3" Finned floor in the main control room at elevation 135'-3" Shield building roof, exterior wall of the PCS water storage tank Shield building roof, tension ring and columns between air inlets Divider wall between the spent fuel pool and the fuel transfer canal
<u>Nuclear Island Basemat Below Auxiliary Building</u> Bay between reference column lines 9.1 and 11, and K and L Bay between reference column lines 1 and 2 and K-2 and N

Enclosure 2
Table 3.3-1
Definition of Wall Thicknesses for Nuclear Island Buildings and Annex Building

Table 3.3-1
Definition of Wall Thicknesses for Nuclear Island Buildings and Annex Building⁽¹⁾

Wall or Section Description	Column Lines	Floor Elevation or Elevation Range	Concrete Thickness ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾⁽⁵⁾	Applicable Radiation Shielding Wall (Yes/No)
Containment Building Internal Structure				
Shield Wall between Reactor Vessel Cavity and RCDT Room	E-W wall parallel with column line 7	From 71'-6" to 83'-0"	3'-0"	Yes
West Reactor Vessel Cavity Wall	N-S wall parallel with column line N	From 83'-0" to 98'-0"	7'-6"	Yes
North Reactor Vessel Cavity Wall	E-W wall parallel with column line 7	From 83'-0" to 98'-0"	9'-0"	Yes
East Reactor Vessel Cavity Wall	N-S wall parallel with column line N	From 83'-0" to 98'-0"	7'-6"	Yes
West Refueling Cavity Wall	N-S wall parallel with column line N	From 98'-0" to 135'-3"	4'-0"	Yes
North Refueling Cavity Wall	E-W wall parallel with column line 7	From 98'-0" to 135'-3"	4'-0"	Yes
East Refueling Cavity Wall	N-S wall parallel with column line N	From 98'-0" to 135'-3"	4'-0"	Yes
South Refueling Cavity Wall	E-W wall parallel with column line 7	From 98'-0" to 135'-3"	4'-0"	Yes
South wall of west steam generator compartment	Not Applicable	From 103'-0" to 153'-0"	2'-6"	Yes
West wall of west steam generator compartment	Not Applicable	From 103'-0" to 153'-0"	2'-6"	Yes
North wall of west steam generator compartment	Not Applicable	From 103'-0" to 153'-0"	2'-6"	Yes
South wall of pressurizer compartment	Not Applicable	From 103'-0" to 153'-6"	2'-6"	Yes
West wall of pressurizer compartment	Not Applicable	From 107'-2" to 160'-0"	2'-6"	Yes
North wall of pressurizer compartment	Not Applicable	From 107'-2" to 160'-0"	2'-6"	Yes
East wall of pressurizer compartment	Not Applicable	From 118'-6" to 160'-0"	2'-6"	Yes
North-east wall of in-containment refueling water storage tank	Parallel to column line N	From 103'-0" to 135'-3"	2'-6"	No
West wall of in-containment refueling water storage tank	Not applicable	From 103'-0" to 135'-3"	5/8" steel plate with stiffeners	No
South wall of east steam generator compartment	Not Applicable	From 87'-6" to 153'-0"	2'-6"	Yes

1. The column lines and floor elevations are identified and included on Figures 3.3-1 through 3.3-13.
2. These wall (and floor) thicknesses have a construction tolerance of ± 1 inch, except for exterior walls below grade where the tolerance is +12 inches, - 1 inch.
3. For walls that are part of structural modules, the concrete thickness also includes the steel face plates.
4. For floors with steel surface plates, the concrete thickness also includes the plate thickness.
5. Where a wall (or a floor) has openings, the concrete thickness does not apply at the opening.

**Table 3.3-1 (cont.)
Definition of Wall Thicknesses for Nuclear Island Buildings and Annex Building⁽¹⁾**

Wall or Section Description	Column Lines	Floor Elevation or Elevation Range	Concrete Thickness ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	Applicable Radiation Shielding Wall (Yes/No)
East wall of east steam generator compartment	Not Applicable	From 94'-0" to 153'-0"	2'-6"	Yes
North wall of east steam generator compartment	Not Applicable	From 87'-6" to 153'-0"	2'-6"	Yes
Shield Building				
Shield Building Cylinder	Not Applicable	From 100'-0" to 251'-6" From 256'-9" to 266'-6"	3'-0" 4'-6"	Yes Yes
Tension Ring	Not Applicable	From 266'-6" to 271'	3'-0"	Yes
Conical Roof	Not Applicable	From 271'-0" to 293'-9"	3'-0" (including 1/2 inch thick steel plate liner on each face)	Yes
PCS Tank External Cylindrical Wall	Not Applicable	From 293'-9" to 328'-9"	2'-0"	Yes
PCS Tank Internal Cylindrical Wall	Not Applicable	From 309'-4" to 329'-0"	1'-6"	Yes
PCS Tank Roof	Not Applicable	328'-9" (Lowest) 329'-0" (Highest)	1'-3"	No
Auxiliary Building Walls/Floors				
Column Line 1 wall	From I to N	From 66'-6" to 100'-0"	3'-0"	No
Column Line 1 wall	From I to 5'-6" east of L-2	From 100'-0" to 180'-0"	2'-3"	Yes
Column Line 1 wall	From 5'-6" east of L-2 to N	From 100'-0" to 125'-0"	3'-0"	Yes
Column Line 1 wall	From 5'-6" east of L-2 to N	From 125'-0" to 180'-0"	2'-3"	Yes
Column Line 2 wall	From I to K-2	From 66'-6" to 135'-3"	2'-6"	Yes
Column Line 2 wall	From K-2 to L-2	From 66'-6" to 135'-3"	5'-0"	Yes
Column Line 2 wall	From L-2 to N	From 98'-1" to 135'-3"	2'-6"	Yes
Column Line 2 wall	From I to J-1	From 135'-3" to 153'-0"	2'-0"	Yes
Column Line 3 wall	From J-1 to J-2	From 66'-6" to 82'-6"	2'-6"	Yes
Column Line 3 wall	From J-1 to J-2	From 100'-0" to 135'-3"	2'-6"	Yes
Column Line 3 wall	From J-2 to K-2	From 66'-6" to 135'-3"	2'-6"	Yes

Table 3.3-1 (cont.)
Definition of Wall Thicknesses for Nuclear Island Buildings and Annex Building¹⁾

Wall or Section Description	Column Lines	Floor Elevation or Elevation Range	Concrete Thickness ^{2,3)}	Applicable Radiation Shielding Wall (Yes/No)
Column Line 3 wall	From K-2 to L-2	From 66'-6" to 92'-8 1/2"	2'-6"	Yes
Column Line 4 wall	From I to J-1	From 66'-6" to 133'-0"	2'-6"	Yes
Column Line 4 wall	From J-1 to J-2	From 66'-6" to 92'-6"	2'-6"	Yes
Column Line 4 wall	From J-1 to J-2	From 107'-2" to 135'-3"	2'-6"	Yes
Column Line 4 wall	From J-2 to K-2	From 66'-6" to 135'-3"	2'-6"	Yes
Column Line 4 wall	From I to intersection with shield building wall	From 135'-3" to 180'-0"	2'-0"	Yes
Column Line 5 wall	From I to shield building; with opening east of J-1 (below 107'-2" floor).	From 66'-6" to 160'-6"	2'-0"	Yes
Column Line 7.1 wall	From I to 8 east of J-1	From 66'-6" to 82'-6"	2'-0"	Yes
Column Line 7.2 wall	From I to 5'-6" east of J-1	From 66'-6" to 100'-0"	2'-0"	Yes
Column Line 7.3 wall	From I to shield building	From 66'-6" to 100'-0"	3'-0"	Yes
Column Line 7.3 wall	From I to shield building	From 100'-0" to 160'-6"	2'-0"	No
Column Line 11 wall	From I to Q	From 66'-6" to 100'-0"	3'-0"	No
Column Line 11 wall	From I to Q	From 100'-0" to 117'-6"	2'-0"	Yes
Column Line 11 wall	From I to L	From 117'-6" to 153'-0"	2'-0"	Yes
Column Line 11 wall	From L to M	From 117'-6" to 135'-3"	4'-0"	Yes
Column Line 11 wall	From M to P	From 117'-6" to 135'-3"	2'-0"	Yes
Column Line 11 wall	From P to Q	From 117'-6" to 135'-3"	4'-0"	Yes
Column Line 11 wall	From L to Q	From 135'-3" to 153'-0"	2'-0"	Yes
Column Line I wall	From I to 11	From 66'-6" to 100'-0"	3'-0"	No
Column Line I wall	From I to 4	From 100'-0" to 180'-0"	2'-0"	Yes
Column Line I wall	From 4 to 7.3	From 100'-0" to 160'-6"	2'-0"	No
Column Line I wall	From 7.3 to 11	From 100'-0" to 153'-0"	2'-0"	No
Column Line J-1 wall	From I to 2	From 82'-6" to 100'-0"	2'-0"	Yes
Column Line J-1 wall	From 2 to 4	From 66'-6" to 135'-3"	2'-6"	Yes

**Table 3.3-1 (cont.)
Definition of Wall Thicknesses for Nuclear Island Buildings and Annex Building⁽¹⁾**

Wall or Section Description	Column Lines	Floor Elevation or Elevation Range	Concrete Thickness ^{(a)(2)}	Applicable Radiation Shielding Wall (Yes/No)
Column Line J-1 wall	From 2 to 4	From 135'-3" to 153'-0"	2'-0"	Yes
Column Line J-1 wall	From 4 to shield building	From 66'-6" to 107'-2"	2'-0"	Yes
Column Line J-2 wall	From 2 to 4	From 66'-6" to 135'-3"	2'-6"	Yes
Column Line J-2 wall	From 4 to intersection with shield building wall	From 66'-6" to 135'-3"	2'-0"	Yes
Column Line K-2 wall	From 2 to 4	From 66'-6" to 135'-3"	4'-9"	Yes
Column Line L-2 wall	From 2 to 4	From 66'-6" to 135'-3"	4'-0"	Yes
Column Line N wall	From 1 to 2	From 66'-6" to 100'-0"	3'-0"	No
Column Line N wall	From 1 to 12'-9" north of 1	From 100'-0" to 125'-0"	3'-9"	No
Column Line N wall	From 1 to 12'-9" north of 1	From 125'-0" to 135'-0"	2'-0"	No
Column Line N wall	From 12'-9" north of 1 to 2	From 100'-0" to 118'-2 1/2"	3'-0"	No
Column Line N wall	From 12'-9" north of 1 to 2	From 118'-2 1/2" to 135'-3"	2'-0"	No
Column Line N wall	From 1 to 2	From 118'-2 1/2" to 135'-3"	2'-0"	Yes
Column Line N wall	From 2 to 4	From 66'-6" to 98'-1"	3'-0"	No
Column Line N wall	From 2 to 4	From 98'-1" to 135'-3"	5'-6"	Yes
Column Line N wall	From 1 to 4	From 135'-3" to 180'-0"	2'-0"	Yes
Column Line J wall	From 7:3 to 11	From 66'-6" to 117'-6"	2'-0"	No
Column Line K wall	From 7:3 to 11	From 60'-6" to 135'-3"	2'-0"	Yes
Column Line L wall	From shield building wall to 11	From 60'-6" to 153'-0"	2'-0"	Yes
Column Line M wall	From shield building wall to 11	From 66'-6" to 153'-0"	2'-0"	Yes
Column Line P wall	From shield building wall to 11	From 66'-6" to 153'-0"	2'-0"	Yes
Column Line Q wall	From shield building wall to 11	From 66'-6" to 100'-0"	3'-0"	No
Column Line Q wall	From shield building wall to 11	From 100'-0" to 153'-0"	2'-0"	Yes
Labyrinth Wall between Col. Line 3 and J-1 to 7'-3" from J-2	Not Applicable	From 82'-6" to 92'-6"	2'-6"	Yes
N-5 Shield Wall (low wall)	Between K-2 and L-2 extending from column line 1 north	From 100'-0" to 107'-2"	2'-6"	Yes

**Table 3.3-1 (cont.)
Definition of Wall Thicknesses for Nuclear Island Buildings and Annex Building⁽¹⁾**

Wall or Section Description	Column Lines	Floor Elevation or Elevation Range	Concrete Thickness ^(2,3)	Applicable Radiation Shielding Wall (Yes/No)
N-S Shield Wall	Between K-2 and L-2 extending from column line 1 north	From 100'-0" to 125'-0"	2'-3"	Yes
E-W Shield Wall	Between 1 and 2 extending from column line N east	From 100'-0" to 125'-0"	2'-9"	Yes
Column Line 9.2 wall	From I to J and K to L	From 117'-6" to 135'-3"	2'-0"	Yes
Labyrinth Wall between Column Line 7.3 and 9.2 and J to K	J to K	From 117'-6" to 135'-3"	2'-0"	Yes
Auxiliary Area Basement	From 1-11 and I-Q, excluding shield building	From 60'-6" to 66'-6"	6'-0"	No
Nuclear Island Basement	Below shield building	From 60'-6" to containment vessel or 82'-6"	6'-0" to 22'-0" (varies)	No
Floor	From 1 to 2 and I to N	82'-6"	2'-0"	Yes
Floor	From 2 to 4 and J-1 to J-2	82'-6"	2'-0"	Yes
Floor	From 4 to 5 and J-1 to J-2	82'-6"	0'-9"	Yes
Pipe Chase Floor	From 2 to 5 and J-1 to J-2	92'-6"	2'-0"	Yes
Floor	From 2 to 3 and J-2 to K-2	90'-3"	3'-0"	Yes
Floor	From 3 to 4 and J-2 to K-2	92'-6"	2'-0"	Yes
Floor	From 4 to 7.3 and I to J-1	82'-6"	2'-0"	Yes
Floor	From 1 to 2 and I to N	100'-0"	3'-0"	Yes
Floor	From 2 to 4 and K-2 to L-2	92'-8 1/2"	3'-2 1/2"	Yes
Floor	From 1 to J-2 and 4 to intersecting vertical wall before column line 5	107'-2"	2'-0"	Yes
Floor	From 1 to shield building wall and from intersecting vertical wall before column line 5 to column line 5	105'-0"	0'-9"	Yes
Floor	From 5 to 7.3 and I to shield building wall	100'-0"	2'-0"	Yes
Floor	From K to L and shield building wall to column line 10	100'-0"	0'-9"	Yes

Table 3.3-1 (cont.) Definition of Wall Thicknesses for Nuclear Island Buildings and Annex Building ⁽¹⁾				
Wall or Section Description	Column Lines	Floor Elevation or Elevation Range	Concrete Thickness ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	Applicable Radiation Shielding Wall (Yes/No)
Floor	From 1 to 10'-0" north of 1 and L-2 to N	125'-0"	3'-0"	Yes
Floor	From 10'-0" north of 1 to 2 and L-2 to N	118'-2 1/2"	2'-0"	Yes
Main Control Room Floor	From 9.2 to 11 and I to L	117'-6"	2'-0"	Yes
Floor	Bounded by shield bldg. 7.3, J, 9.2 and L	117'-6"	2'-0"	Yes
Floor	From 9.2 to 11 and L to Q	117'-6"	2'-0"	Yes
Floor	From 3 to 4 and J-2 to K-2	117'-6"	2'-0"	Yes
Floor	From 2 to 4 and I to J-1	153'-0"	1'-1 1/2"	Yes
Floor	From 1 to 4 and I to N	189'-0"	1'-3"	Yes
Floor	From 4 to short of column line 5 and from 1 to intersection with shield building wall	135'-5"	0'-9"	Yes
Floor	From short of column line 5 to column line 5 and from 1 to intersection with shield building wall	133'-0"	0'-9"	Yes
Floor	From 5 to 7.3 and from 1 to intersection with shield building wall	135'-3"	0'-9"	Yes
Annex Building				
Column line 2 wall	From E to H	From 107'-2" to 135'-3"	19'-3/4"	Yes
Column line 4 wall	From E to H	From 107'-2" to 162'-6" & 166'-0"	2'-0"	Yes
N-S Shield Wall between E and F	From 2 to 4	From 107'-2" to 135'-3"	1'-0"	Yes
Column line 4.1 wall	From E to H	From 107'-2" to 135'-3"	2'-0"	Yes
E-W Labyrinth Wall between column line 7.1 and 7.8 and G to H	Not Applicable	From 100'-0" to 112'-0"	2'-0"	Yes
N-S Labyrinth Wall between column line 7.8 and 9 and G to H	Not Applicable	From 100'-0" to 112'-0"	2'-0"	Yes

**Table 3.3-1 (cont.)
Definition of Wall Thicknesses for Nuclear Island Buildings and Annex Building⁽¹⁾**

Wall or Section Description	Column Lines	Floor Elevation or Elevation Range	Concrete Thickness ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	Applicable Radiation Shielding Wall (Yes/No)
E-W Labyrinth Wall between column line 7.1 and 7.8 and G to H	Not Applicable	From 100'-0" to 112'-0"	2'-0"	Yes
N-S Shield Wall on Column line F	From 4.1 North	From 100'-0" to 117'-6"	1'-0"	Yes
Column Line 9 wall	From E to connecting wall between G and H	From 107'-2" to 117'-6"	2'-0"	Yes
Column Line E wall	From 9 to 13	From 100'-0" to 135'-3"	2'-0"	Yes
Column Line 13 wall	From E to I.1	From 100'-0" to 135'-3"	2'-0"	Yes
Column Line I.1 wall	From 11.09 to 13	From 100'-0" to 135'-3"	2'-0"	Yes
Corridor Wall between G and H	From 9 to 13	From 100'-0" to 135'-3"	1'-6"	Yes
Column Line 9 wall	From I to H	From 117'-6" to 158'-0"	2'-0"	Yes
Floor	2 to 4 from shield wall between E and F to column line H	135'-3"	0'-6"	Yes
Floor	From 4 to 4.1 and E to H	135'-3"	1'-0"	Yes
Floor	From 9 to 13 and E to I.1	117'-6"	0'-6"	Yes
Floor	From 9 to 13 and E to I.1	135'-3"	0'-3"	Yes
Containment Filtration Run A (North Wall)	Between column line E to H	From 135'-3" to 158'-0"	1'-0"	Yes
Containment Filtration Run A (East wall)	Between column line E to F	From 135'-3" to 158'-0"	1'-0"	Yes
Containment Filtration Run A (West wall)	Between column line G to H	From 135'-3" to 158'-0"	1'-0"	Yes
Containment Filtration Run A (Floor)	Between column line E to H	135'-3"	1'-0"	Yes
Containment Filtration Run B (Floor)	Between column line E to H	146'-3"	0'-6"	Yes
Containment Filtration Run B (West wall)	Between column line G to H	From 146'-3" to 158'-0"	1'-0"	Yes

**APPENDIX D10 – EXAMPLE ITAAC CLOSURE LETTER AP1000 ITAAC 3.7-3
ITEM 1**

XX/YY/ZZZZ (Date)

To: NRC

From: {Name of Licensee}
{Site Name and Unit #(s)}
{Docket #(s)}

Subject: Completion of AP1000 ITAAC 3.7-3 Item 1

The purpose of this letter is to notify Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) of the completion of {Site Name and Unit #(s)} Inspections, Tests, Analyses, and Acceptance Criteria (ITAAC) 3.7-3 Item 1 for the Design Reliability Assurance Program (D-RAP) in accordance with 10 CFR 52.99(c)(1). The closure process for this ITAAC is based on the guidance described in NEI 08-01(Reference 1).

ITAAC Statement

Design Commitment

The D-RAP provides reasonable assurance that the design of risk-significant SSCs is consistent with their risk analysis assumptions.

Inspection/Test/Analysis

Inspection will be performed for the existence of a report which establishes the estimated reliability of as-built risk-significant SSCs.

Acceptance Criteria

A report exists and concludes that the estimated reliability of each as-built component identified in Table 3.7-1 [of the Tier 1 Material of the AP1000 Design Certification Document] is at least equal to the assumed reliability and that industry experience including operations, maintenance, and monitoring activities were assessed in estimating the reliability of these SSCs.

ITAAC Determination Basis

Risk-significant SSCs identified for the AP1000 standard design are listed in Table 3.7-1 of the Tier 1 Material of the AP1000 Design Control Document (DCD). Table 3.7-1 is provided in the enclosure.

Engineering Report ZZZ, *Validation of Design Reliability Assurance Program*, (Reference 2) documents the estimated reliability of each as-built component identified in Table 3.7-1 and

compares them to the reliability value assumed in the certified design. Engineering Report *ZZZ* was developed utilizing the method delineated in Procedure *YYY*, *Validation of Design Reliability Assurance Program*, (Reference 3).

Procedure *YYY* defines the methodology for establishing the as-built reliability for the components identified in Table 3.7-1 of Tier 1 Material of the AP1000 DCD. It considers the procurement, fabrication, construction, and preoperation test activities and programs, and industry experience including operations, maintenance, and monitoring activities. Procedure *YYY* also defines the methodology for comparing the as-built reliability data and the reliability data that was utilized for the AP1000 design certification.

An inspection/assessment of the Engineering Report (Reference 2) was conducted by a team of individuals who were independent of the team that developed Engineering Report *ZZZ* to confirm that: 1) the estimated as-built reliability for each SSC listed in Table 3.7-1 of the AP1000 DCD is at least equal to the assumed reliability utilized for the AP1000 design certification; and 2) industry experience including operations, maintenance, and monitoring activities was assessed in estimating the reliability of the SSCs, This inspection/assessment is documented as Inspection *XXX*, *Closure of ITAAC Table 3.7-3, Item 1* (Reference 4).

The inspection/assessment concluded that for each component identified in Table 3.7-1 of the AP1000 DCD, the estimated reliability of the as-built component is at least equal to the reliability value assumed in the AP1000 design certification, and that industry experience including operations, maintenance, and monitoring activities was assessed in estimating the reliability of the components.

ITAAC Close-out Review

In accordance with plant procedures for ITAAC close-out, {Licensee} performed a review of ITAAC-related construction findings and associated corrective actions. This review determined that three associated findings, listed below, have been identified.

1. {ITAAC-related construction finding #1}
2. {ITAAC-related construction finding #2}
3. {ITAAC-related construction finding #3}

The corrective actions for each finding have been completed and each finding closed. This review is documented in the close-out package for ITAAC Table 3.7-3 Item 1 (Reference 5), which is available for NRC review at the {Site Name} site. NRC closure of these findings is available on the Construction Inspection Program Management System (CIPMS) portion of the NRC website for this docket may be located by referencing the NRC finding number provided above.

ITAAC Closure Statement

Based on the above information, {Licensee} hereby notifies the NRC that ITAAC Table 3.7-3 Item 1 was performed for {Site Name and Unit #(s)}, and that the prescribed acceptance criteria were met.

{Licensee} requests NRC staff confirmation of this determination and publication of the required notice in the Federal Register per 10 CFR 52.99.

If there are any questions, please contact {Name of Contact Person for licensee} at {Telephone Number for Contact Person}.

Sincerely,

{Signature of Licensee Representative}
{Typed Name of Licensee Representative}
{Title of Licensee Representative}

References (available for NRC review)

1. NEI 08-01, Industry Guideline for the ITAAC Closure Process Under 10 CFR Part 52
2. Engineering Report ZZZ, Validation of Design Reliability Assurance Program
3. Procedure YYY, Validation of Design Reliability Assurance Program
4. Inspection Report XXX, Closure of ITAAC Table 3.7-3, Item 1
5. ITAAC Table 3.7-3, Item 1 Close-Out Package

Table 3.7-1 Risk-Significant Components	
Equipment Name	Tag No.
Component Cooling Water System (CCS)	
Component Cooling Water Pumps	CCS-MP-01A/B
Containment System (CNS)	
Containment Vessel	CNS-MV-01
Hydrogen Igniters	VLS-EH-1 through -64
Chemical and Volume Control System (CVS)	
Makeup Pumps	CVS-MP-01A/B
Makeup Pump Suction and Discharge Check Valves	CVS-PL-V113 CVS-PL-V160A/B
Diverse Actuation System (DAS)	
DAS Processor Cabinets and Control Panel (used to provide automatic and manual actuation)	DAS-JD-001 DAS-JD-002 DAS-JD-004 OCS-JC-020
Annex Building UPS Distribution Panels (provide power to DAS)	EDS1-EA-1, EDS1-EA-14, EDS2-EA-1, EDS2-EA-14

Table 3.7-1 (cont.) Risk-Significant Components	
Equipment Name	Tag No.
Rod Drive MG Sets (Field Breakers)	PLS-MG-01A/B
Containment Isolation Valves Controlled by DAS	Refer to Table 2.2.1-1
Main ac Power System (ECS)	
Reactor Coolant Pump Switchgear	ECS-ES-31, -32, -41, -42, -51, -52, -61, -62
Ancillary Diesel Generators	ECS-MS-01, -02
6900 Vac Buses	ECS-ES-1, -2
Main and Startup Feedwater System (FWS)	
Startup Feedwater Pumps	FWS-MP-03A/B
General I&C	
IRWST Level Sensors	PXS-045, -046, -047, -048
RCS Hot Leg Level Sensors	RCS-160A/B
Pressurizer Pressure Sensors	RCS-191A/B/C/D
Pressurizer Level Sensors	RCS-195A/B/C/D
Steam Generator Narrow-Range Level Sensors	SGS-001, -002, -003, -004, -005, -006, -007, -008
Steam Generator Wide-Range Level Sensors	SGS-011, -012, -013, -014, -015, -016, -017, -018
Main Steam Line Pressure Sensors	SGS-030, -031, -032, -033, -034, -035, -036, -037
Main Feedwater Wide-Range Flow Sensors	SGS-050A/C/E, -051A/C/E
Startup Feedwater Flow Sensors	SGS-055A/B, -056A/B
CMT Level Sensors	PXS-011A/B/C/D, -012A/B/C/D, -013A/B/C/D, -014A/B/C/D
Class 1E dc Power and Uninterruptible Power System (IDS)	
125 Vdc 24-Hour Batteries	IDSA-DB-1A/B, IDSB-DB-1A/B, IDSC-DB-1A/B, IDSD-DB-1A/B
125 Vdc 24-Hour Battery Chargers	IDSA-DC-1, IDSB-DC-1, IDSC-DC-1, IDSD-DC-1

Table 3.7-1 (cont.) Risk-Significant Components	
Equipment Name	Tag No.
125 Vdc and 120 Vac Distribution Panels	IDSA-DD-1, IDSA-EA-1/-2, IDSB-DD-1, IDSB-EA-1/-2/-3, IDSC-DD-1, IDSC-EA-1/-2/-3, IDSD-DD-1, IDSD-EA-1/-2
Fused Transfer Switch Boxes	IDSA-DF-1, IDSB-DF-1/-2, IDSC-DF-1/-2, IDSD-DF-1
125 Vdc Motor Control Centers	IDSA-DK-1, IDSB-DK-1, IDSC-DK-1, IDSD-DK-1
125 Vdc 24-Hour Inverters	IDSA-DU-1, IDSB-DU-1, IDSC-DU-1, IDSD-DU-1
Passive Containment Cooling System (PCS)	
Recirculation Pumps	PCS-MP-01A/B
PCCWST Drain Isolation Valves	PCS-PL-V001A/B/C
Plant Control System (PLS)	
PLS Actuation Software and Hardware (used to provide control functions)	Refer to Table 3.7-2
Protection and Monitoring System (PMS)	
PMS Actuation Software (used to provide automatic control functions)	Refer to Tables 2.5.2-2 and 2.5.2-3
PMS Actuation Hardware (used to provide automatic control functions)	Refer to Tables 2.5.2-2 and 2.5.2-3
MCR 1E Displays and System Level Controls	OCS-JC-010, -011
Reactor Trip Switchgear	PMS-JD-RTS A01/02, B01/02, C01/02, D01/02
Passive Core Cooling System (PXS)	
IRWST Vents	PXS-MT-03
IRWST Screens	PXS-MY-Y01A/B
Containment Recirculation Screens	PXS-MY-Y02A/B
CMT Discharge Isolation Valves	PXS-PL-V014A/B, -V015A/B
CMT Discharge Check Valves	PXS-PL-V016A/B, -V017A/B
Accumulator Discharge Check Valves	PXS-PL-V028A/B, -V029A/B
PRHR HX Control Valves	PXS-PL-V108A/B
Containment Recirculation Squib Valves	PXS-PL-V118A/B, -V120A/B

Table 3.7-1 (cont.) Risk-Significant Components	
Equipment Name	Tag No.
IRWST Injection Check Valves	PXS-PL-V122A/B, -V124A/B
IRWST Injection Squib Valves	PXS-PL-V123A/B, -V125A/B
IRWST Gutter Bypass Isolation Valves	PXS-PL-V130A/B
Reactor Coolant System (RCS)	
ADS Stage 1/2/3 Valves (MOVs)	RCS-PL-V001A/B, -V011A/B RCS-PL-V002A/B, -V012A/B RCS-PL-V003A/B, -V013A/B
ADS Stage 4 Valves (Squibs)	RCS-PL-V004A/B/C/D
Pressurizer Safety Valves	RCS-PL-V005A/B
Reactor Vessel Insulation Water Inlet and Steam Vent Devices	RCS-MN-01
Reactor Cavity Doorway Damper	-
Fuel Assemblies	157 assemblies with tag numbers beginning with RXS-FA
Normal Residual Heat Removal System (RNS)	
Residual Heat Removal Pumps	RNS-MP-01A/B
RNS Motor-Operated Valves	RNS-PL-V011, -V022, -V055, -V062
RNS Stop Check Valves	RNS-PL-V007A/B, -V015A/B
RNS Check Valves	RNS-PL-V013, -V056
Spent Fuel Cooling System (SFS)	
Spent Fuel Cooling Pumps	SFS-MP-01A/B
Steam Generator System (SGS)	
Main Steam Safety Valves	SGS-PL-V030A/B, -V031A/B, -V032A/B, -V033A/B, -V034A/B, -V035A/B
Main Steam Line Isolation Valves	SGS-PL-V040A/B
Main Feedwater Isolation Valves	SGS-PL-V057A/B
Service Water System (SWS)	
Service Water Cooling Tower Fans	MA-01A/B
Service Water Pumps	SWS-MP-01A/B

Table 3.7-1 (cont.) Risk-Significant Components	
Equipment Name	Tag No.
Nuclear Island Nonradioactive Ventilation System (VBS)	
MCR Ancillary Fans	VBS-MA-10A/B
I&C Room B/C Ancillary Fans	VBS-MA-11, -12
Chilled Water System (VWS)	
Air Cooled Chiller Pumps	VWS-MP-02, -03
Air Cooled Chillers	VWS-MS-02, -03
Onsite Standby Power System (ZOS)	
Engine Room Exhaust Fans	VZS-MY-V01A/B, -V02A/B
Onsite Diesel Generators	ZOS-MS-05A/B

Note: Dash (-) indicates not applicable.

**APPENDIX D11 – EXAMPLE ITAAC CLOSURE LETTER ESBWR ITAAC 2.1.2-3
ITEM 8**

XX/YY/ZZZZ (Date)

To: NRC

From: {Name of Licensee}
{Site Name and Unit #(s)}
{Docket #(s)}

Subject: Completion of ESBWR ITAAC 2.1.2-3 Item 8

The purpose of this letter is to notify Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) of the completion of {Site Name and Unit #(s)} Inspections, Tests, Analyses, and Acceptance Criteria (ITAAC) 2.1.2-3 Item 8, *Instrumentation and Control*, for the Nuclear Boiler System in accordance with 10 CFR 52.99(c)(1). The closure process for this ITAAC is based on the guidance described in NEI 08-01(Reference 1).

ITAAC Statement

Design Commitment

8. *Instrumentation and Control*

a) *Control Room alarms, displays, and/or controls provided for the NBS System are defined in Table 2.1.2-2. (A copy of ESBWR DCD Table 2.1.2-2 is provided in the attachment to this letter.)*

b) *The MSIVs close upon any of the following conditions:*

- *Main Condenser Vacuum Low (Run mode)*
- *Turbine Area Ambient Temperature High*
- *MSL Tunnel Ambient Temperature High*
- *MSL Flow Rate High*
- *Turbine Inlet Pressure Low*
- *Reactor Water Level Low*

Inspection/Test/Analysis

a) *Inspections will be performed on the as-built Control Room alarms, displays, and/or controls for the NBS System.*

b) *Valve closure tests will be performed on the as-built MSIVs using simulated signals.*

Acceptance Criteria

- a) *Report(s) document that alarms, displays, and/or controls exist or can be retrieved in the Control Room as defined in Table 2.1.2-2.*
- b) *Report(s) document that the MSIVs close upon generation of any of the following simulated signals:*
- *Main Condenser Vacuum Low (Run mode)*
 - *Turbine Area Ambient Temperature High*
 - *MSL Tunnel Ambient Temperature High*
 - *MSL Flow Rate High*
 - *Turbine Inlet Pressure Low*
 - *Reactor Water Level Low*

ITAAC Determination Basis

Preoperational Test Procedure XXX, *Nuclear Boiler System Preoperational Test*, (Reference 2) governs testing of the Nuclear Boiler System. This procedure includes sections that:

- Confirm alarms, displays, and/or controls exist or can be retrieved in the Control Room as defined in ESBWR Design Control Document (DCD) Table 2.1.2-2 (ITAAC Item 8a); and
- Document the Main Steam Isolation Valves (MSIVs) close upon generation of any of simulated signals specified in the ITAAC acceptance criteria (see above) (ITAAC Item 8b).

{Licensee} performed a review of Procedure XXX to confirm that it contains the appropriate steps needed to meet each ITAAC acceptance criterion and that the procedure has been successfully completed. This review is documented in Inspection Report YYY, *Closure of ITAAC 2.1.2-3 #8, Instrumentation and Control* (Reference 3), the results of which are summarized below.

1) ITAAC Item 8a)

Section X of Procedure XXX contains steps in which signals simulating various equipment parameters are entered at the sensor input of the instrumentation loop to confirm that alarms, displays, and/or controls exist or can be retrieved in the Control Room as defined in ESBWR DCD Table 2.1.2-2. {Licensee} successfully completed Section X, a signed copy of which is contained in ITAAC Close-Out Package for ITAAC 2.1.2-3 #8, *Instrumentation and Control*, (Reference 4).

2) ITAAC Item 8b)

Section Y of Procedure XXX demonstrates MSIV closure under various plant conditions, including those identified in the ITAAC, by inputting signals simulating those conditions at the sensor input of the closure logic instrumentation. {Licensee} successfully completed Section Y, a signed copy of which is contained in ITAAC Close-Out Package for ITAAC 2.1.2-3 item 8, *Instrumentation and Control*, (Reference 4).

Conclusion

Therefore, as required by ITAAC Items 8a) and b), Inspection Report YYY, *Closure of ITAAC 2.1.2-3 Item 8, Instrumentation and Control* (Reference 3) documents that:

- a) Alarms, displays, and/or controls exist or can be retrieved in the Control Room as defined in ESBWR DCD Table 2.1.2-2; and
- b) The MSIVs close upon generation of any of the following simulated signals:
 - Main Condenser Vacuum Low (Run mode)
 - Turbine Area Ambient Temperature High
 - MSL Tunnel Ambient Temperature High
 - MSL Flow Rate High
 - Turbine Inlet Pressure Low
 - Reactor Water Level Low

ITAAC-Related Construction Finding Review

In accordance with plant procedures for ITAAC close-out, {Licensee} performed a review of ITAAC-related construction findings and associated corrective actions. This review determined that three associated findings, listed below, have been identified.

1. {ITAAC-related construction finding #1}
2. {ITAAC-related construction finding #2}
3. {ITAAC-related construction finding #3}

The corrective actions for each finding have been completed and each finding closed. This review is documented in ITAAC Close-Out Package for ITAAC 2.1.2-3 Item 8, *Instrumentation and Control*, which is available for NRC review. NRC closure of these findings is available on the Construction Inspection Program Management System (CIPMS) portion of the NRC website for this docket may be located by referencing the NRC finding numbers provided above.

ITAAC Closure Statement

Based on the above information, {Licensee} hereby notifies the NRC that {Licensee} has performed ITAAC 2.1.2-3 Item 8 for {Site Name and Unit #(s)}, and that the prescribed acceptance criteria were met.

{Licensee} requests NRC staff confirmation of this determination and publication of the required notice in the Federal Register per 10 CFR 52.99.

If there are any questions, please contact {name of contact person for Licensee} at {telephone # for contact person}.

Sincerely,

{Signature of Licensee Representative}
{Typed Name of Licensee Representative}
{Title of Licensee Representative}

Attachment: ESBWR DCD Table 2.1.2-2, *Nuclear Boiler System Electrical Equipment*, Rev. 4

References (available for NRC review)

1. NEI 08-01, Industry Guideline for the ITAAC Closure Process Under 10 CFR Part 52
2. Preoperational Test Procedure XXX, Nuclear Boiler System Preoperational Test
3. Inspection Report YYY, Closure of ITAAC 2.1.2-3 #8, Instrumentation and Control
4. ITAAC Close-Out Package for ITAAC 2.1.2-3 #8, Instrumentation and Control

ATTACHMENT

**ESBWR DCD TABLE 2.1.2-2
NUCLEAR BOILER SYSTEM ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT**

**ESBWR DCD Table 2.1.2-2
Nuclear Boiler System Electrical Equipment**

Equipment Name	Equipment ID on Figure 2.1.2-2	Control O-DCIS/DPS ⁵	Safety-Related Electrical Equipment	Safety-Related Display	Active Function	Seismic Category I	Remotely Operated	Containment Isolation Valve Actuator
Inboard Main Steam Isolation Valves	V8 (Typ. of 4)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Outboard Main Steam Isolation Valves	V9 (Typ. of 4)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Safety Relief Valves (SRV)	V6 (Typ. of 10)	Yes (ADS – See Section 2.2.16)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Safety Valves (SV)	V7 (Typ. of 8)	No	Yes – Position Indicator Only	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
Depressurization Valves	V5 (Typ. of 8 total)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Feedwater Isolation Valves	V14, V17	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Feedwater Outboard Isolation Check Valves	V13, V16	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Reactor Pressure Transmitters (1 each in 4 divisions)	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--

⁵ See Section 2.2.7.

Equipment Name	Equipment ID on Figure 2.1.1.2-2	Control Q-DCIS/DPS ⁵	Safety-Related Electrical Equipment	Safety-Related Display	Active Function	Seismic Category I	Remotely Operated	Containment Isolation Valve Actuator
Reactor Water Level Transmitters (1 each in 4 divisions)	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--
MSIV Isolation Logic	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--
Leak Detection and Isolation System Logic	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--

**APPENDIX D12 – EXAMPLE ITAAC CLOSURE LETTER ESBWR ITAAC 2.3-1
ITEM 5.1**

XX/YY/ZZZZ (Date)

To: NRC

From: {Name of Licensee}
{Site Name and Unit #(s)}
{Docket #(s)}

Subject: Completion of ESBWR ITAAC 2.3-1 Item 5.1

The purpose of this letter is to notify Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) of the completion of {Site Name and Unit #(s)} Inspections, Tests, Analyses, and Acceptance Criteria (ITAAC) 2.3-1 Item 5.1, Emergency Facilities and Equipment, in accordance with 10 CFR 52.99(c)(1). The closure process for this ITAAC is based on the guidance described in NEI 08-01(Reference 1).

ITAAC Statement

Planning Standard

10 CFR 50.47(b)(8) – Adequate emergency facilities and equipment to support the emergency response are provided and maintained.

EP Program Elements

5.1 The licensee has established a technical support center (TSC) and onsite operations support center (OSC). [H.1] ITAAC element addressed in: COL EP II.H.1

Inspection/Test/Analysis

5.1 An inspection of the as-built TSC and OSC will be performed.

Acceptance Criteria

5.1.1 A report exists that confirms the TSC has at least 174 square meters (1875 square feet) of floor space.

5.1.2 A report exists that confirms the following communications equipment has been provided in the TSC and voice transmission and reception have been accomplished:

- a. NRC systems:*
 - (1) Emergency Notification System (ENS)*
 - (2) Health Physics Network (HPN)*

- (3) Reactor Safety Counterpart Link (RSCL)
- (4) Protective Measures Counterpart Link (PMCL)
- (5) Management Counterpart Link (MCL)
- b. Dedicated telephone to EOF
- c. Dedicated telephone to control room
- d. Dedicated telephone to OSC

5.1.3 A report exists that confirms the TSC has been located in the Electrical Building.

5.1.4 A report exists that confirms the TSC includes radiation monitors and a ventilation system with a high efficiency particulate air (HEPA) and charcoal filter.

5.1.5 A report exists that confirms back-up electrical power supply is available for the TSC.

5.1.6 A report exists that confirms the OSC is in a location separate from the control room.

5.1.7 A report exists that confirms the following communications equipment has been provided in the OSC and voice transmission and reception have been accomplished:

- Dedicated telephone to control room
- Dedicated telephone to TSC
- Plant page system (voice transmission only)

ITAAC Determination Basis

Personnel from the Emergency Planning and Testing organizations have completed station procedure NN3-xx-123, Emergency Response Facilities Test (Reference 2). This procedure addresses the tasks necessary to determine that adequate emergency facilities and equipment to support the emergency response are provided and maintained in accordance with 10 CFR 50.47(b)(8). Results of these inspections are reported in the Emergency Facilities and Equipment Test Report (Reference 3). Results of the tests and inspections are provided below:

ITAAC Item	Result
2.3-1.5.1.1	The TSC has xxxx square feet of floor space, which exceeds the required minimum 174 square meters (1875 square feet) of floor space.
2.3-1.5.1.2	Voice communications have been transmitted and received to and from the TSC and the following: a. NRC systems: (1) Emergency Notification System (ENS) (2) Health Physics Network (HPN) (3) Reactor Safety Counterpart Link (RSCL) (4) Protective Measures Counterpart Link (PMCL) (5) Management Counterpart Link (MCL) b. Dedicated telephone to EOF c. Dedicated telephone to control room d. Dedicated telephone to OSC

2.3-1.5.1.3	The TSC is located in the Electrical Building.
2.3-1.5.1.4	TSC includes radiation monitors and a ventilation system with a high efficiency particulate air (HEPA) and charcoal filter. The radiation monitors responded appropriately to test sources, and provided alarms as designed.
2.3-1.5.1.5	Back-up electrical power supply is available for the TSC. When tested by removing the normal power source, the backup power supply automatically started and accepted the TSC electrical load. In accordance with the test procedure, the TSC was powered by the backup power supply for greater than one hour.
2.3-1.5.1.6	The OSC is in the _____, which is a location separate from the control room.
2.3-1.5.1.7	Voice communications have been transmitted and received to and from the OSC and the following: a. Dedicated telephone to control room c. Dedicated telephone to TSC d. Plant page system (voice transmission only)

The results presented in the test report fully satisfy ITAAC 2.3-1, Item 5.1.

ITAAC-Related Construction Finding Review

In accordance with plant procedures for ITAAC close-out, New ESBWR Reactor Plant Unit 3 performed a review of ITAAC-related construction findings and associated corrective actions. This review determined that X associated findings, listed below, have been identified.

1. {ITAAC-related construction finding #1}
2. {ITAAC-related construction finding #2}
3. {ITAAC-related construction finding #3}

The corrective actions for each finding have been completed and each finding closed. This review is documented in the close-out package for ITAAC 2.3-1 Item 5.1, (Reference 4) which is available for NRC review. NRC closure of these findings is available on the Construction Inspection Program Management System (CIPMS) portion of the NRC website for this docket may be located by referencing the NRC finding numbers provided above.

ITAAC Closure Statement

Based on the above information, {Licensee Name} hereby notifies the NRC that ITAAC 2.3-1 Item 5.1 was performed for {Site Name and Unit #(s)}, and that the prescribed acceptance criteria were met.

We request NRC staff confirmation of this determination and publication of the required notice in the Federal Register per 10 CFR 52.99.

If there are any questions, please contact {Name of Contact Person for licensee} at {Telephone Number for Contact Person}.

Sincerely,

{Signature of Licensee Representative}
{Typed Name of Licensee Representative}
{Title of Licensee Representative}

References (available for NRC review)

1. NEI 08-01, Industry Guideline for ITAAC Closure Process Under 10 CFR Part 52
2. NN3-xx-123, Emergency Response Facilities Test
3. Emergency Facilities and Equipment Test Report
4. ITAAC 2.3-1, Item 5.1, Emergency Response Facilities ITAAC Close-out Package.

APPENDIX D13 – EXAMPLE ITAAC CLOSURE LETTER ESBWR ITAAC 2.4.2-3 ITEM 12

XX/YY/ZZZZ (Date)

To: NRC

From: {Name of Licensee}
{Site Name and Unit #(s)}
{Docket #(s)}

Subject: Completion of ESBWR ITAAC Item 2.4.2-3 Item 12

The purpose of this letter is to notify the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) of the completion of {Site Name and Unit #(s)} Inspection, Test, Analysis and Acceptance Criteria (ITAAC) Item 2.4.2-3 Item 12 in accordance with 10 CFR 52.99(c)(1). The closure process for this ITAAC is based on the guidance described in NEI-08-01 (Reference 1).

ITAAC Statement

Design Commitment

GDCS squib valves maintain RPV backflow leak tightness and maintain reactor coolant pressure boundary integrity during normal plant operation.

Inspection/Test/Analysis

A test will be performed to demonstrate the squib valves are leak tight during normal plant conditions.

Acceptance Criteria

Testing concludes GDCS squib valves have zero leakage at normal plant operation pressure

ITAAC Determination Basis

New ESBWR Reactor Plant Unit 3 Pre-operational test NN3-XX-123 (Reference 2), Gravity Driven Cooling System (GDCS) Pre-Operational Test, was completed with the results reviewed and accepted on 1/1/XX. Section 1.2.3.1.1 tested the leak tightness of the 3-E50-1XX, 3-E50-2XX, 3-E50-3XX, and 3-E50-4XX valves.

Performance of this section of the test required the RPV to be at normal operating pressure with the GDCS system aligned such that the squib valves were closed with the drain valves (3-E50-1YYA and B) located upstream of the squib valves open. The system was maintained in this condition for X hours in accordance with the procedure.

There was no leakage from any of the squib valves.

ITAAC-Related Construction Finding Review

In accordance with plant procedures for ITAAC close-out, New ESBWR Reactor Plant Unit 3 performed a review of ITAAC-related construction findings and associated corrective actions. This review determined that X associated findings, listed below, have been identified.

1. {ITAAC-related construction finding #1}
2. {ITAAC-related construction finding #2}
3. {ITAAC-related construction finding #3}

The corrective actions for each finding have been completed and each finding closed. This review is documented in the close-out package for ITAAC 2.4.2-3 Item 12, (Reference 3) which is available for NRC review. NRC closure of these findings is available on the Construction Inspection Program Management System (CIPMS) portion of the NRC website for this docket may be located by referencing the NRC finding numbers provided above.

ITAAC Closure Statement

Based on the above information, New ESBWR Reactor Plant Unit 3 hereby notifies the NRC that ITAAC 2.4.2-3 Item 12 was performed for New ESBWR Reactor Plant Unit 3, and that the prescribed acceptance criteria were met.

We request NRC staff confirmation of this determination and publication of the required notice in the Federal Register per 10 CFR 52.99.

If there are any questions, please contact {Name of licensing Representative} at {Contact Number for Contact Person}.

Sincerely,

{Signature of Licensee Representative}
{Typed Name of Licensee Representative}
{Title of Licensee Representative}

References (available for NRC review)

1. NEI 08-01, Industry Guideline for the ITAAC Closure Process Under 10 CFR Part 52
2. NN3-XX-123, Gravity Driven Cooling System Test Procedure.
3. ITAAC 2.4.2-3 Item12 Gravity Driven Cooling System Close-out Package

**APPENDIX D14 – EXAMPLE ITAAC CLOSURE LETTER ESBWR ITAAC
2.13.1-2 ITEM 6.C**

XX/YY/ZZZZ (Date)

To: NRC

From: {Name of Licensee}
{Site Name and Unit #(s)}
{Docket #(s)}

Subject: Completion of ESBWR ITAAC 2.13.1-2 Item 6.c

The purpose of this letter is to notify the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) of the completion of {Site Name and Unit #(s)} Inspection, Test, Analysis and Acceptance Criteria (ITAAC) 2.13.1-2 Item 6.c, On-Site AC Power, in accordance with 10 CFR 52.99(c)(1). The closure process for this ITAAC is based on the guidance described in NEI-08-01 (Reference 1).

ITAAC Statement

Design Commitment

The standby power supply breaker closes when the standby diesel generator is ready to load.

Inspection/Test/Analysis

Testing will be performed using real or simulated signals.

Acceptance Criteria

Test report(s) demonstrate that the as-built standby power supply breaker closes after receiving a real or simulated ready to load signal from the standby AC power system.

ITAAC Determination Basis

New ESBWR Reactor Plant Unit 3 Pre-operational test NN3-XX-123 (Reference 2), The Onsite AC Power System was completed with the results reviewed and accepted. Section x.x.x.x tested the ability of the standby power supply breaker to close when the associated diesel generator was at rated speed and voltage.

Performance of this section of the test required generation of a standby power supply breaker closure signal when the AC standby diesel generator ready logic is satisfied. The AC standby diesel generator ready logic consists of five inputs: normal supply breakers open on the

associated 13.8 kV busses; AC standby diesel generator output voltage >95%; associated 13.8 kV bus residual voltage <25%; electrical lockout relay not energized on the AC standby diesel generator; and mechanical emergency stop signals not satisfied.

Initial conditions for the test are that the AC standby diesel generator is ready to start and the associated 13.8 kV bus is energized with its standby diesel generator breaker open. Alternate AC supplies from other busses are verified open and racked out. This test is performed by manually starting the AC emergency diesel generator and verifying it reaches operating speed and voltage. At steady state operations, the associated 13.8 kV bus normal supply breaker is de-energized and the AC standby diesel generator output breaker is verified to close.

During the actual test, the breaker closed as required.

The test report for the Onsite AC Power System (Reference 3) documents the results for closure of this ITAAC.

ITAAC-Related Construction Finding Review

In accordance with plant procedures for ITAAC close-out, New ESBWR Reactor Plant Unit 3 performed a review of ITAAC-related construction findings and associated corrective actions. This review determined that X associated findings, listed below, have been identified.

1. {ITAAC-related construction finding #1}
2. {ITAAC-related construction finding #2}
3. {ITAAC-related construction finding #3}

The corrective actions for each finding have been completed and each finding closed. This review is documented in the close-out package for ITAAC 2.13.1-2, Item 6.c, (Reference 4) which is available for NRC review. NRC closure of these findings is available on the Construction Inspection Program Management System (CIPMS) portion of the NRC website for this docket may be located by referencing the NRC finding numbers provided above.

ITAAC Closure Statement

Based on the above information, New ESBWR Reactor Plant Unit 3 hereby notifies the NRC that ITAAC 2.13.1-2.6.c was performed for New ESBWR Reactor Plant Unit 3, and that the prescribed acceptance criteria were met.

We request NRC staff confirmation of this determination and publication of the required notice in the Federal Register per 10 CFR 52.99.

If there are any questions, please contact {Name of licensing Representative} at {Contact Number for Contact Person}.

Sincerely,

{Signature of Licensee Representative}
{Typed Name of Licensee Representative}
{Title of Licensee Representative}

References (available for NRC review)

1. NEI 08-01, Industry Guideline for ITAAC Closure Process Under 10 CFR Part 52
2. NN3-XX-123, Standby Diesel Generator System Test Procedure
3. On Site AC Power System Test Report.
4. ITAAC 2.13.1-2, Item 6.c, Standby Diesel Generator System Close-out Package.

APPENDIX E – LIST OF 225 DAY NOTIFICATION EXAMPLES

<u>Appendix</u>	<u>Technology</u>	<u>Description</u>
E-1	N/A	Example 225 Day Notification Cover Letter
E-2	N/A	Example 225 Day Notification Attachment
E-3	AP1000	3.3-6, Item 7.d (Cable separation)
E-6	AP1000	2.5.2-8, Item 10 (Setpoints)

TO BE ADDED IN A LATER REVISION TO NEI 08-01

E-4	ABWR	2.1.1d, Item 3 (RPV hydro)
E-5	ABWR	2.14.4°, Item 4a (SGTS)

APPENDIX E-1 – EXAMPLE 225 DAY NOTIFICATION COVER LETTER TEMPLATE

XX/YY/ZZZZ (Date)

To: NRC

From: {Name of Licensee}
{Site Name and Unit #(s)}
{Docket #(s)}

Subject: Notification of Uncompleted ITAAC 225 Days Prior to Initial Fuel Load

Pursuant to 10 CFR 52.99(c)(2), {Licensee} hereby notifies the NRC that {Site Name and Unit #(s)} Inspection, Test, Analysis, and Acceptance Criteria (ITAAC) Items listed in Enclosure 1 will not be completed 225 days prior to initial fuel load currently scheduled for {month, day, year}. Enclosures 2 through XX provide the closure plan and status for each ITAAC listed in Enclosure 1. This notification is consistent with the guidance described in NEI-08-01 (Reference 1). All ITAAC will be completed to support the Commission finding that all acceptance criteria have been met prior to plant operation, as required by 10CFR103(g).

If the NRC has any questions regarding this letter or the Attachments, please contact {name of contact person for Licensee} at {telephone # for contact person}.

Sincerely,

{Signature of Licensee Representative}
{Typed Name of Licensee Representative}
{Title of Licensee Representative}

References

1. NEI 08-01, Industry Guideline for the ITAAC Closure Process Under 10 CFR Part 52

Enclosures

1. List of Uncompleted ITAAC Items as of XX/XX/XX
- 2 through XX. Closure Plan and Status for Uncompleted ITAAC Items Listed in Attachment 1

APPENDIX E-2 – EXAMPLE 225 DAY NOTIFICATION

ITAAC-Specific Attachment Template

XX/YY/ZZZZ (Date)

{Name of Licensee}
{Site Name and Unit #(s)}
{Docket #(s)}

Subject: Notification of Status of (designate technology) ITAAC Item X.X.X

ITAAC Statement

The following information is taken directly from the design control document or combined license.

Design Commitment

{The design commitment for the applicable ITAAC should be quoted directly from the source. Do not paraphrase the Design Commitment.}

Inspection/Test/Analysis

{The inspection/test/analysis (ITA) for the applicable ITAAC should be quoted directly from the source. Do not paraphrase the inspection/test/analysis.}

Acceptance Criteria

{The acceptance criteria for the ITAAC should be quoted directly from the source letter. Do not paraphrase the acceptance criteria.}

Tables and figures referenced in the ITAAC should be provided.

Actions Achieved Toward ITAAC Closure

This section should provide a status of activities related to ITAAC closure. Examples include providing a rough percentage of completed work on the ITAAC, an indication that certain activities listed in the ITAAC are already complete, or an indication that procedures or other supporting items that will be used to perform closure activities have been approved and are ready. There may be cases where this section has little or no information depending on the nature of the ITAAC, but this would likely be rare. For closed actions, summarize the methodology for conducting the ITA, and the results that demonstrate that the acceptance criteria were met.

It should be written in an active voice, and consist of sufficient information to enable a person familiar with technical/engineering concepts to reach understand the underlying bases provided by the licensee to demonstrate the partial completion of ITAAC activities. In the event that the ITAAC offers more than one method to meet the acceptance criteria, clearly state which method was selected.

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Actions Remaining to Attain ITAAC Closure

This section should provide a high level discussion of the remaining activities related to ITAAC closure that will be done after 225 days prior to initial fuel load. Summarize the methodology for conducting the ITA, and the results that demonstrate that the acceptance criteria were met.

It should be written in an active voice, and consist of sufficient information to enable a person familiar with technical/engineering concepts to reach the same conclusion established by the licensee regarding the activities remaining to complete ITAAC closure.

ITAAC Closure Schedule

{ITAAC x.x.x is being tracked in the ITAAC database. ITAAC x.x.x Closeout Package (and specific reports, procedures, or other references as necessary) are planned to be issued by _____. The Closure Letter for ITAAC x.x.x will follow our review and acceptance of these documents.}

Provide some forward looking statements to instill confidence that these actions will be achieved. Examples include a statement that this test or similar activity has been performed on an ITAAC that is already closed, similar activities are routinely done in the operating fleet of plants, the procedures for this activity have been written and approved, testing and analysis of this nature are routine in the nuclear industry, etc. {[brief description of forward looking statements] provide confidence that [Licensee] will be able to successfully complete this ITAAC.

References (available for NRC review)

1. Procedure, report, or other

APPENDIX E-3 – DRAFT 225 DAY NOTIFICATION ITAAC 3.3-6 ITEM (7D)

Example ITAAC-Specific Attachment

XX/YY/ZZZZ (Date)

{Name of Licensee}
{Site Name and Unit #(s)}
{Docket #(s)}

Subject: Notification of Status of AP1000 ITAAC 3.3-6 Item (7d)

ITAAC Statement

Design Commitment

ITAAC Table 3.3-6 (7d) *Physical separation is maintained between Class 1E divisions and between Class 1E divisions and non-Class 1E cables*

Inspection/Test/Analysis

Inspections of the as-built Class 1E raceways will be performed to confirm that the separation between Class 1E raceways of different divisions and between Class 1E raceways and non-Class 1E raceways is consistent with the following:

- Within the main control room and remote shutdown room, the minimum vertical separation is 3 inches and the minimum horizontal separation is 1 inch.
- Within other plant areas (limited hazard areas), the minimum separation is defined by one of the following:
 - 1) *The minimum vertical separation is 5 feet and the minimum horizontal separation is 3 feet.*
 - 2) *The minimum vertical separation is 12 inches and the minimum horizontal separation is 6 inches for raceways containing only instrumentation and control and low-voltage power cables <2/0 AWG.*
 - 3) *For configurations that involve exclusively limited energy content cables (instrumentation and control), the minimum vertical separation is 3 inches and the minimum horizontal separation is 1 inch.*
 - 4) *For configurations involving an enclosed raceway and an open raceway, the minimum vertical separation is 1 inch if the enclosed raceway is below the open raceway.*
 - 5) *For configuration involving enclosed raceways, the minimum separation is 1 inch in both horizontal and vertical directions.*

- Where minimum separation distances are not maintained, the circuits are run in enclosed raceways or barriers are provided.
- Separation distances less than those specified above and not run in enclosed raceways or provided with barriers are based on analysis
- Non-Class 1E wiring that is not separated from Class 1E or associated wiring by the minimum separation distance or by a barrier or analyzed is considered as associated circuits and subject to Class 1E requirements.

Acceptance Criteria

Results of the inspection will confirm that the separation between Class 1E raceways of different divisions and between Class 1E raceways and non-Class 1E raceways is consistent with the followings:

- Within the main control room and remote shutdown room, the vertical separation is 3 inches or more and the horizontal separation is 1 inch or more.
- Within other plant areas (limited hazard areas), the separation meets one of the following:
 - 1) *The vertical separation is 5 feet or more and the horizontal separation is 3 feet or more except.*
 - 2) *The minimum vertical separation is 12 inches and the minimum horizontal separation is 6 inches for raceways containing only instrumentation and control and low-voltage power cables <2/0 AWG.*
 - 3) *For configurations that involve exclusively limited energy content cables (instrumentation and control), the minimum vertical separation is 3 inches and the minimum horizontal separation is 1 inch.*
 - 4) *For configurations that involve an enclosed raceway and an open raceway, the minimum vertical separation is 1 inch if the enclosed raceway is below the raceway.*
 - 5) *For configurations that involve enclosed raceways, the minimum vertical and horizontal separation is 1 inch.*
- Where minimum separation distances are not met, the circuits are run in enclosed raceways or barriers are provided.
- A report exists and concludes that separation distances less than those specified above and not provided with enclosed raceways or barriers have been analyzed.
- Non-Class 1E wiring that is not separated from Class 1E or associated wiring by the minimum separation distance or by a barrier or analyzed is treated as Class 1E wiring.

Actions Achieved toward ITAAC Closure

Significant progress has been achieved as of (Month, Day, Year) toward completing this ITAAC, 99% of the installation and associated inspection activities are complete. Inspections and analysis of plant components have been performed to ensure that “Physical separation is

maintained between Class 1E divisions and between Class 1E divisions and non-Class 1E cables”.

The cable raceway system layout was designed using a three dimensional computer model. The raceways were routed through the model plant within an appropriate space reservation envelope to ensure that no violations of the separation requirements would occur. Construction drawings and Installation Specifications provided to the installer identified separation criteria, consistent with the ITAAC commitment, that were required to be met during erection activities.

The constructor has installed the cable raceway in accordance with the “Released For Construction” drawings and the Installation Specifications. These components were presented for inspection by Quality Control as appropriate portions of the work were completed. The Independent verification of the Class 1E raceway installation by the Quality Control Group included inspection of the separation criteria attributes identified in “Released For Construction” drawings as well as the Installation Specifications, and was recorded in the inspection report. The completed raceway tickets for the satisfactorily installed and inspected raceways were turned in and recorded in the site’s Electrical Raceway and Cable Tracking System.

Raceway completion and cable route was validated by Quality Control walk-down of the designated raceways prior to pulling Class 1E cables. Any deviations were documented and resolved prior to cable pull. The completed cable pull tickets for the satisfactorily installed and inspected cables were turned in and recorded in the site’s Electrical Raceway and Cable Tracking System.

Cable training within cabinets was independently verified by Quality Control for separation attributes through a series of documented inspections as cables were installed and terminated. The completed termination tickets for the satisfactorily installed and inspected cables were turned in and recorded in the site’s Electrical Raceway and Cable Tracking System.

Actions Remaining to Attain ITAAC Closure

Prior to final acceptance of the overall Class 1E raceway and cable system Engineering and Quality Control will perform walk-downs of the plant Class 1E electrical components to identify any potential violations of the required cable separation criteria. Any deviations identified will be recorded, dispositioned and resolved prior to issuing the Final Report. The walk-downs will be performed in accordance with the site Cable Separation Final Walk-down Procedure (Reference 1).

Review of the inspection reports, the site’s Electrical Raceway and Cable Tracking System, Design Change documents, Nonconformance Reports, and the Final Report will be performed and determined to be satisfactory before the project can conclude that the cable installed in the plant has been inspected and reviewed to ensure that the required physical separation between cables from different Class 1E divisions and between Class 1E cables and non-Class 1E cables has been achieved. All exceptions to the separation criteria identified in the installation specification and the project drawings will have been identified by Design Change documents or Nonconformance Reports. These exceptions whether identified during installation or by final

walk down of the as built configuration will have been evaluated and either corrected, mitigated or accepted as is. These reviews will be documented in the ITAAC 3.3.6 Item (7d) Closeout Package.

Before issuing the Cable Separation Final Report, Engineering must be able to conclude that separation distances are satisfactory. Those separation distances less than specified by the ITAAC criteria and not provided with enclosed raceways or barriers will have been analyzed and determined to be satisfactory.

ITAAC Closure Schedule

{Licensee} is tracking ITAAC 3.3-6 Item (7d) in its ITAAC database. ITAAC 3.3.6 Item (7d) Closeout Package and ITAAC 3.3-6 Item (7d) Cable Separation Final Report –EFG xyz, Revision 0 are scheduled to be issued on _____. The Closure Letter for ITAAC 3.3-6 Item (7d) will follow our review and acceptance of these documents.

Cable Separation Programs have been successfully completed for both new nuclear power plants {Site Name and Unit #} and units being restarted after extended shutdowns {Site Name and Unit #}. These successful industry experiences, in combination with the satisfactory results through (Month, Day, Year) of the completion of the majority portions of this ITAAC at our own project provide confidence that {Licensee} will be able to successfully complete this ITAAC.

References (available for NRC review)

1. Cable Separation Final Walk-down Procedure

APPENDIX E-6 – DRAFT 225 DAY NOTIFICATION ITAAC 2.5.2-8 ITEM 10

XX/YY/ZZZZ (Date) (225 days before scheduled fuel load)

{Name of Licensee}
Site Name and Unit #(s)
{Docket #(s)}

Subject: Notification of Status of AP1000 ITAAC 2.5.2-8 Item 10

ITAAC Statement

Design Commitment

Setpoints are determined using a methodology which accounts for loop inaccuracies, response testing, and maintenance or replacement of instrumentation.

Inspection/Test/Analysis

Inspection will be performed for a document that describes the methodology and input parameters used to determine the PMS setpoints.

Acceptance Criteria

A report exists and concludes that the PMS setpoints are determined using a methodology which accounts for loop inaccuracies, response testing, and maintenance or replacement of instrumentation.

Actions Achieved Toward ITAAC Closure

{Licensee} determines instrument setpoints for permanently installed instrumentation using methodology specified in Procedure XXX, *Instrument Uncertainty and Setpoint Calculation Guidelines* (Reference 1). This methodology accounts for loop inaccuracies, response testing, and maintenance or replacement of instrumentation. {Licensee} uses Procedure XXX at {Licensee's operating units} giving additional validity and assurance to the methodology.

The setpoints for PMS have been determined using Procedure XXX and documented in Engineering Report YYY, *Setpoint Determination for the Protection and Safety Monitoring System* (Reference 2).

Actions Remaining to Attain ITAAC Closure

In order to close ITAAC 2.5.2-8 Item #10, {Licensee} will complete an inspection of Engineering Report YYY. The purpose of the inspection is to confirm that the PMS setpoints are determined using Procedure XXX and that the procedure specifies a methodology that takes into account instrument loop uncertainties and inaccuracies, response testing results, and maintenance or replacement activities. To date, {Licensee} has completed approximately XX%

of the inspection. This inspection will be documented in an ITAAC closure inspection report, which will be available for NRC review.

ITAAC Closure Schedule

{Licensee} is tracking ITAAC 2.5.2-8 Item #10 in its ITAAC database and is scheduled to perform the inspection of Engineering Report YYY on _____. {Licensee} expects satisfactory results since, as mentioned above, Procedure XXX is successfully used at {Licensee}'s operating units}.

References (available for NRC review)

1. Procedure XXX, Instrument Uncertainty and Setpoint Calculation Guidelines
2. Engineering Report YYY, Setpoint Determination for the Protection and Safety Monitoring System

§ 50.10 LICENSE REQUIRED; LIMITED WORK AUTHORIZATION.

(a) Definitions. As used in this section, construction means the activities in paragraph (a)(1) of this section, and does not mean the activities in paragraph (a)(2) of this section.

(1) Activities constituting construction are the driving of piles, subsurface preparation, placement of backfill, concrete, or permanent retaining walls within an excavation, installation of foundations, or in-place assembly, erection, fabrication, or testing, which are for:

(i) Safety-related structures, systems, or components (SSCs) of a facility, as defined in 10 CFR 50.2;

(ii) SSCs relied upon to mitigate accidents or transients or used in plant emergency operating procedures;

(iii) SSCs whose failure could prevent safety-related SSCs from fulfilling their safety-related function;

(iv) SSCs whose failure could cause a reactor scram or actuation of a safety-related system;

(v) SSCs necessary to comply with 10 CFR part 73;

(vi) SSCs necessary to comply with 10 CFR 50.48 and criterion 3 of 10 CFR part 50, appendix A; and

(vii) Onsite emergency facilities, that is, technical support and operations support centers, necessary to comply with 10 CFR 50.47 and 10 CFR part 50, appendix E.

(2) Construction does not include:

(i) Changes for temporary use of the land for public recreational purposes;

(ii) Site exploration, including necessary borings to determine foundation conditions or other preconstruction monitoring to establish background information related to the suitability of the site, the environmental impacts of construction or operation, or the protection of environmental values;

(iii) Preparation of a site for construction of a facility, including clearing of the site, grading, installation of drainage, erosion and other environmental mitigation measures, and construction of temporary roads and borrow areas;

(iv) Erection of fences and other access control measures;

(v) Excavation;

(vi) Erection of support buildings (such as, construction equipment storage sheds, warehouse and shop facilities, utilities, concrete mixing plants, docking and unloading facilities, and office buildings) for use in connection with the construction of the facility;

(vii) Building of service facilities, such as paved roads, parking lots, railroad spurs, exterior utility and lighting systems, potable water systems, sanitary sewerage treatment facilities, and transmission lines;

(viii) Procurement or fabrication of components or portions of the proposed facility occurring at other than the final, in-place location at the facility;

(ix) Manufacture of a nuclear power reactor under a manufacturing license under subpart F of part 52 of this chapter to be installed at the proposed site and to be part of the proposed facility; or

(x) With respect to production or utilization facilities, other than testing facilities and nuclear power plants, required to be licensed under Section 104.a or Section 104.c of the Act, the erection of buildings which will be used for activities other than operation of a facility and which may also be used to house a facility (e.g., the construction of a college laboratory building with space for installation of a training reactor).