

NOTICE OF PETITION CLOSURE SIGNED BY EDO

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On September 30, 2010, the Executive Director for Operations signed a *Federal Register* notice (FRN) closing petition for rulemaking PRM-70-8. The Nuclear Energy Institute requested that the NRC initiate rulemaking to clarify the existing safety event reporting requirements contained in Appendix A to 10 CFR Part 70 based on experience gained since the requirements were revised in 2000.

The NRC is denying further consideration of four of the nine issues because these issues would remove safety factors that ensure the health and safety of workers, the public, and the environment. The NRC will consider five of the nine issues in the rulemaking process because these issues would update the current regulatory text, delete redundant text, improve the quality of event reports, and enhance consistent reporting of events.

This notice informs the Commission that, under the rulemaking authority delegated to the EDO, the EDO has signed this petition closure FRN and proposes to forward it on October 14, 2010 to the Office of the Federal Register for publication, unless otherwise directed by the Commission.

This FRN does not constitute a significant question of policy, nor does it amend regulations contained in 10 CFR Parts 7, 8, or 9, Subpart C, concerning matters of policy.

The FRN can be found in ADAMS at ML101830352.