

Approved for Publication

This notice informs the Commission that under the rulemaking authority delegated by the Commission to the Executive Director for Operations (EDO), and thereafter delegated by the EDO to the Director of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR) (see the February 5, 2010, memorandum from the EDO to the Director of NRR, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System Accession No. ML091730349), the Director has signed a proposed rule on June 7, 2013, that proposes to amend § 50.55a of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) "Codes and standards," to incorporate by reference the following revisions of three regulatory guides (RG) that approve code cases published by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) and the Operation and Maintenance (OM) Code. This rulemaking proposes restructuring the NRC's requirements for engineering standards to comply with the Office of Federal Register's revised guidelines for incorporating by reference of consensus standards.

- Regulatory Guide 1.84, "Design, Fabrication, and Materials Code Case Acceptability, ASME Section III," Revision 36 (DG-1230);
- Regulatory Guide 1.147, "Inservice Inspection Code Case Acceptability, ASME Section XI, Division 1," Revision 17 (DG-1231); and
- Regulatory Guide 1.192, "Operations and Maintenance Code Case Acceptability, ASME OM Code," Revision 1 (DG-1232).

This notice also informs the Commission that under the authority delegated to the EDO and redelegated to the Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research (RES), RES has prepared a separate *Federal Register* notice announcing the three draft regulatory guides for public comment.

The Director will, on June 7, 2013, forward the proposed rule and the *Federal Register* notice announcing the three draft regulatory guides for public comment to the Office of the Federal Register for publication, unless otherwise directed by the Commission. Neither the proposed rule nor the three draft regulatory guides constitute a significant question of policy, nor does it amend regulations contained in 10 CFR Part 7, "Advisory Committees;" or 10 CFR part 9, "Public Records," subpart C, "Government in the Sunshine Act Regulations;" concerning matters of policy. The *Federal Register* notice can be found in ADAMS under Accession No. ML103060003. The *Federal Register* notice requesting comments on the three draft regulatory guides is available in ADAMS under Accession No. ML13107A439.

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