NOTE: The NRC is making this preliminary proposed rule language available to the public solely for the purpose of providing information to the public. In addition, the release of the preliminary proposed rule language is necessary to facilitate NRC staff discussions with the public at upcoming public meetings. The language does not represent an NRC staff recommendation to the Commission, nor has it been reviewed by the Commission. Therefore, the preliminary proposed rule language may be subject to significant revisions during the rulemaking process. The NRC is not requesting any written public comments on this preliminary proposed rule language, and no stakeholder requests for a comment period will be granted at this stage in the rulemaking process. Following Commission direction to proceed with the proposed rule, the NRC will seek written public comments via a notice in the *Federal Register*.

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The NRC is proposing to amend the following sections as indicated by text in red:

§ 26.5 Definitions

Shift (or work *shift*) means, for the purpose of this part, a regularly occurring work period which is normally of a consistent length (e.g., 8, 10, or 12 hours) and scheduled by the licensee or other entity as part of a shift schedule.

Shift schedule means, for the purpose of this part, a sequence of work shifts planned by the licensee or other entity.

Work period means, for the purpose of this part, a length of time during which an individual performs duties for a licensee.

§ 26.205 Work hours

(b) *Calculating work hours*. For the purposes of this section, a licensee shall calculate the work hours of individuals who are subject to this section as the amount of time the individuals perform duties for the licensee. Except as permitted by paragraphs (b)(1) through (b)(5) of this section, the calculated work hours must include all time performing duties for the licensee, including all travel, within-shift break times and rest periods during which there are no reasonable opportunities or accommodations appropriate for restorative sleep.
