

**NRC Petition for Rulemaking Information
1999 - 2014**

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) docketed 125 petitions for rulemaking from 1999 to the present. The criteria the NRC uses to docket a petition is found in § 2.802(c) of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations*. Table 1 shows the number of petitions for rulemaking received and docketed per year since 1999.

Table 1 – Total Petitions for Rulemaking Received and Docketed (1999 – 2014)

Year	Petitions Received and Docketed
1999	8
2000	10
2001	8
2002	6
2003	4
2004	2
2005	9
2006	6
2007	14
2008	6
2009	6
2010	7
2011	26
2012	7
2013	4
2014	2
Total	125

It can take the NRC a year or more to process a petition for rulemaking, longer if the petition results in a change to the NRC's regulations. Table 2 provides the current status of the petitions for rulemaking that the NRC has received and docketed since 1999.

Table 2 – Status of Petitions for Rulemaking (1999 – 2014)

Open	Denied	Withdrawn by Petitioner	Considered in the Rulemaking Process	Total
30	60	2	33	125

Anyone can send the NRC a petition for rulemaking: an interested individual, a private company, an advocacy group, a federal, state, or local government. A private company may be a licensee or other entity directly related to the nuclear industry. An advocacy group can be a lobbying group, a non-profit, or other non-governmental organization. The Nuclear Energy Institute, an industry advocacy group, has submitted 14 of the 69 petitions for rulemaking received by the NRC from advocacy groups since 1999. Table 3 shows who has submitted petitions for rulemaking to the NRC since 1999.

Table 3 – Petitions for Rulemaking by Petitioner Type (1999 – 2014)

Interested Individual	Private Company	Advocacy Group	Federal, State, or Local Government	Total
28	15	69	13	125

Since 1999 the NRC has revised its regulations nine times in response to a petition for rulemaking - although not all changes have been made exactly as the petitioner requested. Table 4 lists the petitions that have prompted the NRC to change its regulations. For complete information, go to www.regulations.gov and search for the Rulemaking Docket ID provided in Table 4.

Table 4 – Petitions for Rulemaking that Resulted in Regulation Changes

PRM Docket No.	Petitioner Type	Petitioner	Rulemaking Docket ID	Proposed Rule Published	Final Rule Published
PRM-50-68	Private Company	Bob Christie, Performance Technology	NRC-2002-0011	August 2, 2002 (67 FR 50374)	September 16, 2003 (68 FR 54123)
PRM-35-17	Advocacy Group	Stanley Fitch, Organization of Agreement	NRC-2003-0016	N/A	March 30, 2005 (70 FR 16336)

PRM Docket No.	Petitioner Type	Petitioner	Rulemaking Docket ID	Proposed Rule Published	Final Rule Published
		States			
PRM-73-12	Advocacy Group	Daniel Hirsch, Committee to Bridge the Gap	NRC-2005-0013	November 7, 2005 (70 FR 67380)	March 19, 2007 (72 FR 12705)
PRM-50-82	Advocacy Group	Adrian P. Heymer, Nuclear Energy Institute	NRC-2008-0222	Supplemental Proposed Rule: October 7, 2006 (71 FR 61330)	October 9, 2007 (72 FR 57416)
PRM-50-80	Advocacy Group	Union of Concerned Scientist and San Luis Obispo Mothers for Peace	NRC-2006-0016 and NRC-2008-0019	October 26, 2006 (71 FR 62664), and April 10, 2008 (73 FR 19443)	March 27, 2009 (74 FR 13926)
PRM-73-11	Advocacy Group	Three Mile Island Alert	NRC-2006-0016 and NRC-2008-0019	October 26, 2006 (71 FR 62664), and April 10, 2008 (73 FR 19443)	March 27, 2009 (74 FR 13926)
PRM-73-13	Advocacy Group	Union of Concerned Scientists	NRC-2006-0016 and NRC-2008-0019	October 26, 2006 (71 FR 62664), and April 10, 2008 (73 FR 19443)	March 27, 2009 (74 FR 13926)
PRM-71-13	Government	Christine O. Gregoire, Governor of the State of Washington	NRC-2008-0120	June 15, 2010 (75 FR 33901)	March 19, 2013 (78 FR 16922)
PRM-73-10	Government	State of Nevada	NRC-2009-0163	October 13, 2010 (75 FR 62695)	May 20, 2013 (78 FR 29520)

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