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<b>Revisions to Reactor Vessel Material Surveillance Program Requirements (Rev. 2)</b>				
<b>Abstract</b>				
<p>This rule would amend 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix H, to incorporate the latest edition of American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) Standards E-185 and E-2215. There are a number of optional features in ASTM E-185 that would permit future licensees to significantly improve future surveillance programs by allowing them to use more advanced test specimens. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff expects that as a result of this rulemaking, licensees will expend fewer resources and accumulate lower occupational dose collecting test specimens. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff also expects that fewer resources will be expended by licensee and Nuclear Regulatory Commission staffs to prepare, submit, and review requests for extension of time to submit capsule reports. The rulemaking would also incorporate the most up-to-date version of referenced consensus standards and clarify surveillance program guidance for license renewal.</p>				
<b>Justification</b>				
<p>The rule scores 28 points (5, 9, 9, 5) because of the following reasons: A) Less substantial contributor to the safety goal (strategies 1 and 3); B) Significant contributor to regulatory effectiveness (strategy 1); C) Commission direction in SRM-COMSECY-14-0027; and D) Significant contributor: burden reduction and public interest.</p>				
<b>Start Dates</b>	<b>Reg Basis Completed</b>	<b>PR Sent to Comm/EDO</b>	<b>FR Sent to Comm/EDO</b>	<b>Publication Date</b>
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