

**NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

**[NRC-2016-0054]**

**License Amendment Requests for Changes to Emergency  
Response Organization Staffing and Augmentation**

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Draft regulatory issue summary; request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is seeking public comment on a draft regulatory issue summary (RIS) to inform certain nuclear power reactor licensees of the use of guidance documents to support license amendment requests (LAR) to change augmenting emergency response organization (ERO) staffing and arrival times. The RIS will clarify the scope and level of detail that should be provided to facilitate NRC review of the LARs.

**DATES:** Submit comments by **April 14, 2016**. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the Commission is able to ensure consideration only for comments received before this date.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by any of the following methods (unless this document describes a different method for submitting comments on a specific subject):

- **Federal Rulemaking Web Site:** Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2016-0054. Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher; telephone: 301-415-3463; e-mail: [Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov](mailto:Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov).

- **Mail comments to:** Cindy K. Bladey, Office of Administration, Mail Stop: OWFN-12-H08, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

For additional direction on obtaining information and submitting comments, see “Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments” in the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this document.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Todd Keene, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington DC 20555-0001; telephone: 301-415-1994, e-mail: [Todd.Keene@nrc.gov](mailto:Todd.Keene@nrc.gov).

## **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

### **I. Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments**

#### **A. Obtaining Information**

Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2016-0054 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this document. You may obtain publicly-available information related to this action by the following methods:

- **Federal Rulemaking Web Site:** Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2016-0054.
- **NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS):** You may obtain publicly available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To begin the search, select “[ADAMS Public Documents](#)” and then select “[Begin Web-based ADAMS Search](#).” For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC’s Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by e-mail to [pdr.resource@nrc.gov](mailto:pdr.resource@nrc.gov). The draft RIS, “License Amendment

Requests for Changes to Emergency Response Organization Staffing and Augmentation,” is available in ADAMS under Accession No. ML15338A291.

- **NRC's PDR:** You may examine and purchase copies of public documents at the NRC's PDR, Room O1-F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

## B. Submitting Comments

Please include Docket ID NRC-2016-0054 in the subject line of your comment submission.

The NRC cautions you not to include identifying or contact information that you do not want to be publicly disclosed in your comment submission. The NRC will post all comment submissions at <http://www.regulations.gov> as well as enter the comment submissions into ADAMS. The NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove identifying or contact information.

If you are requesting or aggregating comments from other persons for submission to the NRC, then you should inform those persons not to include identifying or contact information that they do not want to be publicly disclosed in their comment submission. Your request should state that the NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove such information before making the comment submissions available to the public or entering the comment submissions into ADAMS.

## II. Background.

The NRC staff has developed draft RIS 2016-xx, “License Amendment Requests for Changes to Emergency Response Organization Staffing and Augmentation,” based on a number of recent LAR submittals that did not supply proper justification for proposed ERO

changes. The NRC will clarify how licensees should use the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) document, NEI 10-05, "Assessment of On-Shift Emergency Response Organization Staffing and Capabilities," dated June 23, 2011, in these LARs. In addition to the clarification this RIS provides, the RIS will assist licensees by providing examples of the scope and detail of information that should be provided in the LARs to facilitate the NRC review.

#### Proposed Action

The NRC is requesting public comments on the draft RIS. The NRC staff will make a final determination regarding issuance of the RIS after it considers any public comments received in response to this request.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of March 2016.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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