
Item B-38: Reconnaissance Level Investigations

DESCRIPTION

NRC environmental information needs for licensing fall into the categories of: (1) detailed site-specific investigations at a preferred site, and (2) reconnaissance level information to support alternative site assessment and selection, including early site review, and to identify monitoring program needs. This proposed technical activity would generate a technical report which would form the basis of a staff position paper providing

guidance to applicants concerning the need, applicability, proper utilization, scope, and content of an adequate reconnaissance level investigation. This guidance is needed because of the requirements for an applicant to demonstrate how environmental considerations were factored into the alternative site selection process, the emerging importance of early site reviews, and the efficiencies inherent in standardizing procedures used during

the site selection process. This item is documented in NUREG-0471.¹

CONCLUSION

This Environmental issue is addressed in environmental impact statements on a case-by-case basis.² Thus, this item has been dropped from further consideration.

¹ NUREG-0471, "Generic Task Problem Descriptions (Categories B, C, and D)," U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, June 1978.

² Memorandum for T. Speis from J. Funches, "Prioritization of Generic Issues—Environmental and Licensing Improvements," February 24, 1983. [8303090540]