

Westinghouse Owners Group (WOG), and the Boiling Water Reactor Owners Group (BWROG). TSTF-442 can be viewed on the NRC Web site: (www.nrc.gov/reactors/operating/licensing/techspecs/changes-issued-for-adoption.html).

Applicability

This proposed change to remove requirements for PASS from TS (and other elements of the licensing bases) is applicable to B&W Reactors.

To efficiently process the incoming license amendment applications, the staff requests each licensee applying for the changes addressed by TSTF-442 using the CLIIP to address the following plant-specific verifications and regulatory commitments. The CLIIP does not prevent licensees from requesting an alternative approach or proposing the changes without the requested verifications and regulatory commitments. Variations from the approach recommended in this notice may, however, require additional review by the NRC staff and may increase the time and resources needed for the review. In making the requested regulatory commitments, each licensee should address: (1) That the subject capability exists (or will be developed) and will be maintained; (2) where the capability or procedure will be described (e.g., severe accident management guidelines, emergency operating procedures, emergency plan implementing procedures); and (3) a schedule for implementation. The amendment request need not provide details about designs or procedures.

Each licensee should verify that it has, and make a regulatory commitment to maintain (or make a regulatory commitment to develop and maintain):

- a. A capability for classifying fuel damage events at the Alert level threshold (typically this is 300 $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ dose equivalent iodine). This capability may use a normal sampling system or correlations of letdown line dose rates to coolant concentrations;
- b. Contingency plans for obtaining and analyzing highly radioactive samples from the reactor coolant system, containment sump, and containment atmosphere; and
- c. Offsite capability to monitor radioactive iodines.

Public Notices

In a notice in the **Federal Register** dated March 3, 2003 (68 FR 10052), the staff requested comment on the use of the CLIIP to process requests to delete post-accident sampling requirements from B&W Reactors. The staff had previously issued notices of availability

on the use of the CLIIP to process requests to delete post-accident sampling requirements from plants with Westinghouse and Combustion Engineering designs (65 FR 65018, October 31, 2000) and BWR designs (67 FR 13027, March 20, 2002). The notice of availability for Westinghouse and Combustion Engineering plants followed the staff's disposition of comments received in response to a notice requesting comment (65 FR 49271, August 11, 2000). The notice of availability for BWR plants followed the staff's disposition of comments received in response to a notice requesting comment (66 FR 66949, December 27, 2001). Each request to eliminate PASS requirements by licensees for Westinghouse, CE, and BWR plants using the CLIIP has also included notices prior to issuance of the subject license amendments and upon issuance.

TSTF-442, as well as the NRC staff's safety evaluation and model application, may be examined, and/or copied for a fee, at the NRC's Public Document Room, located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available records are accessible electronically from the ADAMS Public Library component on the NRC Web site, (the Electronic Reading Room).

The staff did not receive comments following the notice soliciting comments about modifying the TS requirements regarding post accident sampling for B&W Reactors.

As described in the model application prepared by the staff, licensees may reference in their plant-specific applications to eliminate PASS-related TS the SE and NSHC determination previously published in the **Federal Register** (68 FR 10052, March 3, 2003).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 6th day of May 2003.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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Enclosure for Inclusion on Technical Specification Web Page

The following example of an application was prepared by the NRC staff to facilitate the use of the consolidated line item improvement process (CLIIP). The model provides the expected level of detail and content for an application to eliminate pass requirements using CLIIP. Licensees remain responsible for ensuring that their actual application fulfills their

Administrative requirements as well as NRC regulations.

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission,
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Subject:

Plant Name
Docket No. 50-
Application for Technical Specification Improvement to Eliminate Requirements for Post Accident Sampling System for Babcock and Wilcox Reactors Using the Consolidated Line Item Improvement Process

Gentlemen: In accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 50.90, [LICENSEE] is submitting a request for an amendment to the technical specifications (TS) for [PLANT NAME, UNIT NOS.].

The proposed amendment would delete Technical Specification (TS) 5.5.3, "Post Accident Sampling," and thereby eliminate the requirements to have and maintain the post accident sampling system at [PLANT]. The changes are consistent with NRC approved Industry/Technical Specification Task Force (TSTF) Standard Technical Specification Change Traveler, TSTF-442, "Elimination of Requirements for a Post Accident Sampling System (PASS)." The availability of this technical specification improvement was announced in the **Federal Register** on [DATE OF NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY] as part of the consolidated line item improvement process (CLIIP).

Attachment 1 provides a description of the proposed change, the requested confirmation of applicability, and plant-specific verifications. Attachment 2 provides the existing TS pages marked-up to show the proposed change. Attachment 3 provides revised clean technical specification pages. Attachment 4 provides a summary of the regulatory commitments made in this submittal. [IF APPLICABLE: Attachment 5 provides the existing TS Bases pages marked-up to show the proposed change (for information only).]

[LICENSEE] requests approval of the proposed License Amendment by [DATE], with the amendment being implemented [BY DATE OR WITHIN X DAYS].

In accordance with 10 CFR 50.91, a copy of this application, with attachments, is being provided to the designated [STATE] Official.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that I am authorized by [LICENSEE] to make this request and that the foregoing is true and correct. [Note that request may be notarized in lieu of using this oath or affirmation statement].

If you should have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact [].

Sincerely,

Name,
Title

Attachments:

1. Description and Assessment
2. Proposed Technical Specification Changes
3. Revised Technical Specification Pages
4. Regulatory Commitments
5. Proposed Technical Specification Bases Changes (if applicable)

cc: