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DATES:

Date and Time for Open Session:
September 9, 2026, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. EST.

Date	Webinar information (Microsoft Teams)
September 9, 2026	Link: https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/246083786721656?p=IzF9cEIF5raCITSY0O . Meeting ID: 246 083 786 721 656. Passcode: WC9Ac6cH. Call in number (audio only): +1 301-576-2978, United States, Silver Spring. Phone conference ID: 969 086 535 #.

Public Participation: Any member of the public who wishes to participate in the meeting via Microsoft Teams or via phone should contact Ms. Sarah Hoenig using the information below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Sarah Hoenig, email: sarah.hoenig@nrc.gov phone: 301-415-3284.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose: Discuss recommendations from the subcommittee on reducing barriers to medical use licensing rulemaking.

Conduct of the Meeting

The ACMUI Chair, Hossein Jadvar, M.D., Ph.D., will preside over the meeting. Dr. Jadvar will conduct the meeting in a manner that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. The following procedures apply to public participation in the meeting:

1. Persons who wish to provide a written statement should submit an electronic copy to Ms. Sarah Hoenig using the contact information listed above. All submittals must be received by the close of business on September 4, 2026, and must only pertain to the topics on the agenda.
2. Questions and comments from members of the public will be permitted during the meeting, at the discretion of the ACMUI Chair.
3. The draft transcript and meeting summary will be available on ACMUI's website <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/acmui/meetings/2026> on or about October 9, 2026.
4. Persons who require special services, such as those for the hearing impaired, should notify Ms. Sarah Hoenig of their planned participation.

This meeting will be held in accordance with the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (primarily Section 161a); the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App); and the Commission's regulations in Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations*, Part 7.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 19 day of August 2026.

For the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Russell E. Chazell,

Federal Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2026-3268]

**Draft Interim Staff Guidance:
Evaluations of Risk Assessments for
Risk-Informed Decision-Making for
Regulatory Applications**

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Draft guidance; request for comment.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is soliciting public comment on its draft Interim Staff Guidance (ISG), OAR/DARP-ISG-2026-XX, "Evaluations of Risk Assessments for Risk-Informed Decision-Making for Regulatory Applications." If finalized, this ISG will provide guidance to the staff for reviewing systematic risk assessment methods, including probabilistic risk assessments (PRAs) and other systematic risk evaluations (SREs). This ISG will supplement existing guidance to facilitate the staff's understanding of the uses of risk information in regulatory applications and application of principles of risk-informed decision-making.

DATES: Submit comments by September 21, 2026. 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 on or before this date.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods, however, the NRC encourages electronic comment submission through the Federal rulemaking website.

- **Federal rulemaking website:** Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2026-3268. Address

questions about Docket IDs in *Regulations.gov* to Bridget Curran; telephone: 301-415-1003; email: Bridget.Curran@nrc.gov. For technical questions, contact the individual(s) listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document.

- **Mail comments to:** Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, Mail Stop: TWFN-5-A85, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, ATTN: Guidance and Publications Branch.

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: Jack Minzer Bryant, Office of Advanced Reactors, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; telephone: 301-415-0610; email: Jack.Minzerbryant@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Obtaining information and Submitting Comments****A. Obtaining Information**

Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2026-3268 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information for this action. You may obtain publicly available information related to this action by any of the following methods:

- **Federal Rulemaking website:** Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2026-3268.
- **NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS):** You may obtain publicly available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To begin the search, select "Begin ADAMS Public Search." For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, at 301-415-4737, or by email to PDR.Resource@nrc.gov. The draft ISG, "Evaluations of Risk Assessments for Risk-Informed Decision-Making for Regulatory Applications" is available in

ADAMS under Accession No. ML26162A452.

• *NRC's PDR*: The PDR, where you may examine and order copies of publicly available documents, is open by appointment. To make an appointment to visit the PDR, please send an email to PDR.Resource@nrc.gov or call 1-800-397-4209 or 301-415-4737, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. eastern time (ET), Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

B. Submitting Comments

The NRC encourages electronic comment submission through the Federal rulemaking website (<https://www.regulations.gov>). Please include Docket ID NRC 2026-3268 in 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 <https://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 into ADAMS.

II. Discussion

The NRC is anticipating a high volume of license applications for new and advanced reactors. Many new applications are expected to leverage risk assessments to establish the safety of facility designs that can be operated without undue risk to the health and safety of the public. This ISG will supplement existing guidance to support staff in assessing how risk information is used in applications, determining the acceptability of risk assessments, and integrating risk insights into licensing decisions.

The NRC has historically recognized the value of risk assessment in regulatory decision making, as reflected in the Commission's Final Policy Statement on Use of Probabilistic Risk Assessment Methods in Nuclear Regulatory Activities (60 FR 42622). Many of the concepts and terms related to using PRAs, risk insights, and risk-

informed processes in regulatory activities are described in the Commission Staff Requirements Memorandum, SRM-SECY-98-144, "Staff Requirements—SECY-98-144—White Paper on Risk-Informed and Performance-Based Regulation." Implementing the use of PRA methods has been supported by the issuance of regulatory guidance, including Regulatory Guide (RG) 1.174, which describes an approach for using PRA in risk-informed decisions on plant-specific changes to the licensing basis, and RGs 1.200 and 1.247 (for trial use), which provided guidance on acceptability of PRAs for light-water reactors (LWRs) and non-LWRs, respectively.

This ISG provides staff guidance on evaluating risk assessment methods, including PRAs and SREs. This ISG provides guidance on evaluating the characteristics and attributes of a risk assessment using a flexible approach that can accommodate a range of risk-informed applications. This ISG builds upon, and aligns with, the risk-informed decision-making principles of RG 1.174 to consider a risk assessment along with other factors to determine its acceptability in the context of its uses to support an application. This ISG leverages the high-level approach discussed in RGs 1.200 and 1.247 (for trial use) and considers acceptability of a risk assessment in terms of establishing the analysis scope, providing an adequate level of detail, demonstrating use of acceptable methods, and ensuring representation of the facility. While these considerations were identified in the context of development of a PRA guided by a consensus standard, the same considerations can be broadly applied to other risk assessment methods.

This ISG is applicable to the review of applications for permits and licenses that submit risk-informed, performance-based applications for construction permits (CPs) or operating licenses (OLs) under part 50 of title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR); for combined operating licenses (COLs), standard design approvals (SDAs), design certifications (DCs) or manufacturing licenses (MLs) under 10 CFR part 52; or CP, OL, COL, custom COL, SDA, DC, or ML under 10 CFR part 53.

III. Executive Order (E.O.) 12866

The Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs determined that draft ISG, "Acceptability of Risk Assessments for Risk-Informed Decision-Making for Regulatory Applications," is not a

significant regulatory action under E.O. 12866.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 2011 *et seq.*

Dated: August 19, 2026.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Mehdi Reisi Fard,

Director, Division of Advanced Reactor Engineering, Office of Advanced Reactors.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 50-325, 50-324, 50-400, 50-261, and 72-3; NRC-2026-3928]

Duke Energy Progress, LLC; Brunswick Steam Electric Plant, Units 1 and 2, Shearon Harris Nuclear Power Plant, Unit 1, H.B. Robinson Steam Electric Plant, Unit 2, H.B. Robinson Steam Electric Plant, Unit 2 Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation; Consideration of Approval of Transfer of Licenses and Conforming Amendments

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Application for direct transfer of licenses; opportunity to comment, request a hearing, and petition for leave to intervene.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC, the Commission) received and is considering approval of an application filed by Duke Energy Progress, LLC (DEP) and Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (DEC) on March 20, 2026. The application seeks NRC approval of the direct transfer of Renewed Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-71 and DPR-62 for Brunswick Steam Electric Plant, Units 1 and 2, respectively; Renewed Facility Operating License No. NPF-63 for Shearon Harris Nuclear Power Plant, Unit 1; Subsequent Renewed Facility Operating License No. DPR-23 for H.B. Robinson Steam Electric Plant, Unit 2; and Renewed Materials License No. SNM-2502 for the H.B. Robinson Steam Electric Plant, Unit 2 Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation, currently held by DEP, to DEC and issuance of conforming license amendments.

DATES: Submit comments by September 21, 2026. A request for a hearing must be filed by September 10, 2026.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods; however, the NRC encourages electronic comment submission through the Federal rulemaking website:

• *Federal Rulemaking Website:* Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search