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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1.	Notifying Member: <u>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) [2336]
3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [X], 5.7.1 [], 3.2 [], 7.2 [], Other:
4.	Products covered (HS codes or national tariff lines. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Commercial nuclear reactors; advanced nuclear reactors; reactor structures, systems and components (SSCs); reactor coolant pressure boundary components; safety-related and safety-significant equipment; and associated nuclear power plant equipment; Quality (ICS code(s): 03.120); Accident and disaster control (ICS code(s): 13.200); Nuclear energy in general (ICS code(s): 27.120.01); Reactor engineering (ICS code(s): 27.120.10); Nuclear power plants. Safety (ICS code(s): 27.120.20)
5.	Details of notified document(s) (title, number of pages and languages, means of access): Modernizing Reactor Licensing, Safety Oversight, and Siting Practices; (157 page(s), in English) Link to notified document(s) and/or contact details for agency or authority which can provide copies upon request: https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/TBT/USA/26_03797_00_e.pdf
6.	Description of content: Proposed rule and guidance; request for comment - Consistent with Executive Order 14300, "Ordering the Reform of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission," the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is conducting a review and wholesale revision of its regulations. This proposed rule aims to modernize reactor licensing, safety oversight, and siting practices addressing sections 5(f), 5(h), and 5(i) of Executive Order 14300, and additional items that contribute to adding additional generation to the electrical grid. Additionally, as part of the NRC's overarching review of all of its regulations, the agency identified a number of further changes to the NRC's regulations that will improve the efficiency and efficacy of its licensing process that are also included in this rulemaking.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health or safety; Protection of the environment; Quality requirements

8. Relevant documents:

91 Federal Register (FR) 44560, 16 July 2026; [Title 10](#) Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Parts [2](#), [50](#), [51](#), [52](#), [53](#), [54](#), [71](#), and [100](#):

<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2026-07-16/html/2026-14341.htm>

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This proposed rule and guidance; request for comment is identified by Docket Number NRC-2025-0975. The Docket Folder is available from Regulations.gov at <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/NRC-2025-0975/document> and provides access to primary and supporting documents as well as comments received. Documents are also accessible from [Regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov) by searching the Docket Number.

9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determined

Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined

10. Provision of comments

Final date for comments: 31 August 2026

[] 60 days from notification

WTO Members and their stakeholders are asked to submit comments to the [USA TBT Enquiry Point](#) by or before [4pm Eastern Time](#) on 31 August 2026. Comments received by the USA TBT Enquiry Point from WTO Members and their stakeholders will be shared with the NRC and will also be submitted to the [Docket](#) on Regulations.gov if received within the comment period.

Contact details of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification:

Please submit comments to: USA WTO TBT Enquiry Point, Email: usatbtep@nist.gov