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NRC ISSUES REVIEW STANDARD FOR EARLY SITE PERMIT APPLICATIONS

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has issued its review standard for early site permit applications for possible new nuclear power plants.

The early site permit process resolves site-related issues regarding possible future construction and operation of a nuclear power plant at a site selected by an applicant. The review standard covers issues such as population density, probable maximum floods that could affect a site, stability of subsurface materials and foundations, aircraft hazards and emergency planning. The review standard also informs potential applicants and other stakeholders of the information the staff needs to perform its review.

The review standard is available through the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) on the agency's web site, by entering accession number ML040700094 at this address: <u>http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams/web-based.html</u>. Help in using ADAMS is available from the Public Document Room staff by calling 1-800-397-4209.

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