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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) [2286]
3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 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): Environmental protection (ICS code(s): 13.020); Occupational safety. Industrial hygiene (ICS code(s): 13.100); Nuclear energy engineering (ICS code(s): 27.120)
5. Details of notified document(s) (title, number of pages and languages, means of access): Incorporation by Reference of Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Standard 603-2018; (7 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/2025/TBT/USA/25_09167_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: Proposed rule and <u>draft guidance</u> ; request for comment - The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is proposing to amend its regulations to incorporate by reference the <u>Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Standard (Std) 603-2018</u> , "IEEE Standard Criteria for Safety Systems for Nuclear Power Generating Stations." The IEEE Std 603-2018 is the most recent version of IEEE Std 603 that addresses the power, instrumentation, and control safety systems for nuclear power reactors. This amendment also incorporates editorial changes that do not change the technical information. The NRC plans to hold a public meeting to promote full understanding of the proposed rule and facilitate public comments.
7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health or safety; Protection of the environment
8. Relevant documents: 90 Federal Register (FR) 59402, 19 December 2025; <u>Title 10 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 50</u> : https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2025-12-19/html/2025-23428.htm https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2025-12-19/pdf/2025-23428.pdf https://www.nrc.gov/docs/ML2511/ML25114A021.pdf

This proposed rule and draft guidance; request for comment is identified by Docket Number NRC-2024-0045. The Docket Folder is available on Regulations.gov at <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/NRC-2024-0045/document> and provides access to primary and supporting documents as well as comments received. Documents are also accessible from [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: 17 February 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 17 February 2026. Comments received by the USA TBT Enquiry Point from WTO Members and their stakeholders will be shared with NRC and will also be submitted to the [Docket](#) on Regulations.gov if received within the comment period. 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 before this date.

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