



Digital I&C Design Acceptance Criteria (DAC) Implementation

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Key Issues

- Application and DAC/ITAAC Expectations
- Process Options for DAC Implementation
- ITAAC Closeout through Inspection Process

Expectations for a Quality DC Application

- Sufficient information to demonstrate Digital I&C design and implementation capability
 - In conjunction with documents submitted on the docket, a DAC submittal should detail how the Digital I&C design will meet regulatory criteria
 - ITAAC should demonstrate that the “as-built” configuration meets the Digital I&C design
 - Schedule for DAC and ITAAC submittal/implementation; the schedule must consider impact on related COL activities (simulator completion, operator training, etc.)
 - Unambiguous
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- ***A quality submittal translates into fewer RAIs and a smoother ITAAC closeout process***

Life Cycle Process

Life Cycle Activity Groups	Planning Activities	Requirements Activities	Design Activities	Implementation Activities	Integration Activities	Validation Activities	Installation Activities	Operation & Maintenance Activities
Software Management Plan		Requirements Specification	Design Specification	Code Listings	System Build Documents		Operations Manuals	
Software Development Plan				Hardware & Software Architecture			Installation Configuration Tables	
Software QA Plan								
Integration Plan								
Installation Plan								
Maintenance Plan							Maintenance Manuals	
Training Plan							Training Manuals	
Operations Plan								
Software Safety Plan		Requirements Safety Analysis	Design Safety Analysis	Code Safety Analysis	Integration Safety Analysis	Validation Safety Analysis	Installation Safety Analysis	Change Safety Analysis
Software V&V Plan		V&V Requirements Analysis Report	V&V Design Analysis Report	V&V Implementation Analysis & Test Report	V&V Integration Analysis & Test Report	V&V Validation Analysis & Test Report	V&V Installation Analysis & Test Report	V&V Change Report
Software CM Plan		CM Requirements Report	CM Design Report	CM Implementation Report	CM Integration Report	CM Validation Report	CM Installation Report	CM Change Report

Process planning

Note: A separate document is not required for each topic identified; however, project documentation should encompass all of the topics.

Methods to Address DAC Closure (Implementation)

- (1) Applicant amends DCA to include DAC implementation information**
- (2) Applicant submits COLA that includes DAC implementation information**
- (3) Applicant submits DAC implementation information after COL issuance**

A Topical Report submittal can be the mechanism to support each method

DAC Submittal through DCA Amendment

- DAC review remains in the licensing process
- Provides for appropriate breadth and depth review

DAC Submittal as Part of COLA

- DAC review remains in the licensing process
- In the review schedule, COLAs are following close behind DCAs; this impacts the staff review resources

DAC Submittal After COL Issuance

- COL is issued with unresolved DAC items
- DAC implementation information is submitted as it becomes available
- DAC implementation is verified as part of design inspection

Topical Report Submittal

- Facilitates a timely review by the staff
- Licensing process is familiar to applicants
- Staff can review DAC information as it becomes available
- Places DAC back into licensing space vs. dependence on inspection

Topical Report vs Inspection of DAC

- COL holders can simply incorporate an approved Topical Report via 10CFR52.08(b) (or equivalent process)
- In inspection process, COL holder is subject to inspection issues, findings, etc.

ITAAC Closeout

- Life Cycle stages beyond Design would be addressed as ITAAC (created from DAC)
- Regional-based inspection would verify (with DE support)
- Can be enhanced with quality DC/COL application and DAC submittal

Summary

- NRO Staff expects quality COL applications and Digital I&C DAC submittals
- NRO Staff has a viable approach for Digital I&C DAC review and closeout
- There are tangible benefits to applicants in adopting this approach



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Discussion