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The structures covered by the Code include concrete structures inside and outside the containment system.

This Code may be referenced and applied subject to agreement between the owner and the Regulatory Authority.

All notation sections have been removed from the beginning of each chapter and consolidated into one list in Chapter 2.

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The commentary, which is presented after the Code, discusses some of the considerations of ACI Committee 349 in developing "Code Requirements for Nuclear Safety-Related Concrete

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