

Comments: Comments are invited on (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; or (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Dated: February 12, 2008.

Suzanne H. Plimpton,

Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Independent External Review Panel To Identify Vulnerabilities in the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Materials Licensing Program; Meeting Notice

AGENCY: U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) will convene a meeting of the Independent External Review Panel to Identify Vulnerabilities in the NRC's Materials Licensing Program on March 5 through 7, 2008. A copy of the agenda for the meeting can be obtained by e-mailing Mr. Aaron T. McCraw at the contact information below.

Purpose: To initiate the Panel's discussions and deliberations in developing their final report and to allow members of the public an opportunity to provide comments to the Panel on its draft report. The Panel's draft report is located in the NRC's Agencywide Document Access and Management System (ADAMS) using Accession Number ML080230554.

Date and Time for Closed Sessions: There will be no closed sessions during this meeting.

Date and Time for Open Session: March 5, 2008, from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.; March 6, 2008, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.;

and March 7, 2008, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Address for Public Meeting: NRC, Two White Flint North Building, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852. Specific room locations will be indicated on the agenda.

Public Participation: Any member of the public who wishes to participate in the meeting should contact Mr. McCraw using the information below.

Contact Information: Aaron T. McCraw, e-mail: atm@nrc.gov, telephone: (301) 415-1277.

Conduct of the Meeting

Mr. Thomas E. Hill will chair the meeting. Mr. Hill will conduct the meeting in a manner that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. The following procedures apply to public participation in the meeting:

1. Persons who wish to provide a written statement should submit an electronic copy to Mr. McCraw at the contact information listed above. All submittals must be received by February 29, 2008, and must pertain to the topics on the agenda for the meeting.

2. Questions and comments from members of the public will be permitted during the meeting, at the discretion of the Chairman.

3. The transcript and written comments will be available for inspection at the NRC Public Document Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852-2738, telephone (800) 397-4209, on or about June 15, 2008.

4. Persons who require special services, such as those for the hearing impaired, should notify Mr. McCraw of their planned attendance.

This meeting will be held in accordance with the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (primarily Section 161a); the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App); and the Commission's regulations in Title 10, *U.S. Code of Federal Regulations*, Part 7.

Dated: February 11, 2008.

Andrew L. Bates,

Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

NUREG-1556, Volume 9, Revision 2, "Consolidated Guidance About Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance About Medical Use Licenses"

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is announcing the completion and availability of NUREG-1556, Volume 9, Revision 2, "Consolidated Guidance About Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance About Medical Use Licenses," dated January 2008.

ADDRESSES: Copies of NUREG-1556, Volume 9, Revision 2, may be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, P.O. Box 37082, Washington, DC 20402-9328; http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs 202-512-1800 or The National Technical Information Service, Springfield, Virginia 22161-0002; <http://www.ntis.gov> 1-800-533-6847 or, locally, 703-805-6000.

A copy of the document is also available for inspection and/or copying for a fee in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR), 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available documents created or received at the NRC after November 1, 1999, are available electronically at the NRC's Electronic Reading Room at <http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/ADAMS/index.html>. From this site, the public can gain entry into the NRC's Agencywide Document Access and Management System (ADAMS), which provides text and image files of the NRC's public documents. The ADAMS Accession Number for NUREG-1556, Volume 9, Revision 2, is ML073400289. If you do not have access to ADAMS or if there are problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, contact the NRC PDR Reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by e-mail to pdr@nrc.gov. The document will also be initially posted on the Office of Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management Programs' NARM (Naturally-Occurring and Accelerator-Produced Radioactive Material) Toolbox Web site page at: <http://nrc-stp.ornl.gov/narmtoolbox.html> under the heading of "Licensing Guidance." Subsequently, it will be posted on NRC's public Web site at: <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/nuregs/staff/sr1556> on the "Consolidated Guidance About Materials Licenses (NUREG-1556)" Web site page. Some publications in the NUREG series that are posted at NRC's Web site address <http://www.nrc.gov> are updated regularly and may differ from the last printed version.

A free single copy, to the extent of supply, may be requested by writing to the Office of the Chief Information Officer, Reproduction and Distribution Services, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory

Commission, Printing and Graphics Branch, Washington, DC 20555-0001; facsimile: 301-415-2289; e-mail: Distribution@nrc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Torre Taylor, Division of Intergovernmental Liaison and Rulemaking, Office of Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management Programs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, telephone (301) 415-7900, e-mail: tmt@nrc.gov; or Donna-Beth Howe, Ph.D., Division of Materials Safety and State Agreements, Office of Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management Programs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, telephone (301) 415-7848, e-mail: dbh@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On August 8, 2005, the President signed into law the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPAAct). Among other provisions, Section 651(e) of the EPAAct expanded the definition of byproduct material as defined in Section 11e. of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (AEA), placing additional byproduct material under the NRC's jurisdiction, and required the Commission to provide a regulatory framework for licensing and regulating these additional byproduct materials.

Specifically, Section 651(e) of the EPAAct expanded the definition of byproduct material by: (1) Adding any discrete source of radium-226 that is produced, extracted, or converted after extraction, before, on, or after the date of enactment of the EPAAct for use for a commercial, medical, or research activity; or any material that has been made radioactive by use of a particle accelerator and is produced, extracted, or converted after extraction, before, on, or after the date of enactment of the EPAAct for use for a commercial, medical, or research activity (Section 11e.(3) of the AEA); and (2) adding any discrete source of naturally occurring radioactive material, other than source material, that the Commission, in consultation with the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, the Secretary of the Department of Energy, the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security, and the head of any other appropriate Federal agency, determines would pose a threat similar to the threat posed by a discrete source of radium-226 to the public health and safety or the common defense and security; and is extracted or converted after extraction before, on, or after the date of enactment of the EPAAct for use in a commercial, medical, or research activity (Section 11e.(4) of the AEA).

NRC revised its regulations to provide a regulatory framework that includes these newly added radioactive materials. See **Federal Register** notice 72 FR 55864, dated October 1, 2007. As part of the rulemaking effort to address the mandate of the EPAAct, the NRC also evaluated the need to revise certain licensing guidance to provide necessary guidance to applicants in preparing license applications to include the use of the newly added radioactive materials as byproduct material. Two NUREG-1556 documents have been revised to provide additional guidance to licensees: (1) NUREG-1556, Volume 13, Revision 1, "Consolidated Guidance About Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance About Commercial Radiopharmacy Licenses," and (2) NUREG-1556, Volume 9, Revision 2, "Consolidated Guidance About Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance About Medical Use Licenses." Additionally, a new NUREG-1556 volume was developed to address production of radioactive material using an accelerator. This NUREG-1556 volume is entitled: Volume 21, "Consolidated Guidance About Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance About Possession Licenses for Production of Radioactive Material Using an Accelerator."

NUREG-1556, Volume 9, Revision 2, provides guidance for applicants in preparing their license applications for the medical use of byproduct material. Volume 9 has been revised primarily to provide additional guidance related to the NARM rule, including guidance about consortiums and noncommercial distribution. It is also revised to clarify training and experience requirements, and to replace NRC Form 313A with six new NRC Form 313A forms specific to types of authorizations. References and information related to Subpart J of 10 CFR Part 35 have been removed since these regulatory requirements expired on October 25, 2005. Additionally, other minor changes were made that are administrative in nature, such as updating the Agreement State section and updating references. Also, information related to identifying and protecting sensitive information was updated.

NUREG-1556, Volume 9, Revision 2, "Consolidated Guidance About Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance About Medical Use Licenses," was noticed for public comment on August 2, 2007 (72 FR 42442).

The remaining two NUREG-1556 volumes were noticed for public comment separately: (1) NUREG-1556, Volume 21, on May 29, 2007 (72 FR 29555), and (2) NUREG-1556, Volume

13, Revision 1, on July 3, 2007 (72 FR 36526). NUREG-1556, Volume 21 was finalized and published in October 2007. NUREG-1556, Volume 13, Revision 1, was finalized and published in November 2007.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 5th day of February, 2008.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Dennis K. Rathbun,

Director, Division of Intergovernmental Liaison and Rulemaking, Office of Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management Programs.

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**OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES
TRADE REPRESENTATIVE**

**Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement
(ACTA): Request for Public Comments**

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Request for written submissions from the public.

SUMMARY: The Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR) seeks to negotiate an anti-counterfeiting trade agreement to strengthen international cooperation, enforcement practices, and participants' legal frameworks to address counterfeiting and piracy. USTR requests written comments from the public concerning specific matters that should be the focus of such an agreement.

DATES: Submissions must be received on or before 5 p.m. on Friday, March 21, 2008.

ADDRESS: All comments should be sent (i) electronically, to the following e-mail address: ACTA@ustr.eop.gov, with "Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement (ACTA): Request for Public Comments" in the subject line, or (ii) by fax, to Rachel Bae, at (202) 395-3891, with a confirmation copy sent electronically to the e-mail address above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rachel S. Bae, Director for Intellectual Property and Innovation, Office of the United States Trade Representative, at (202) 395-4510.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 23, 2008, USTR announced that the United States, along with a group of trading partners, would pursue negotiation of a new Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement (ACTA) to provide international leadership in the fight against IPR counterfeiting and piracy. The United States and other interested parties intend to seek an agreement with provisions in three main areas: