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NRC ANNOUNCES AVAILABILITY OF GUIDANCE ON LICENSES FOR MEDICAL USES OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is making available final guidance for obtaining a license, under newly revised regulations, to use radioactive materials in medical diagnosis, treatment and research.

The document, "Consolidated Guidance About Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance About Medical Use Licenses" (NUREG-1556, Volume 9), is a result of significant staff effort and public review, including several public workshops. A summary of public comments on the guidance and NRC responses will be published as a separate document, Appendix BB to NUREG-1556, Volume 9. The comments and responses will also be available in electronic form on CD-rom.

Revised regulations, effective October 24, focus on medical procedures that pose higher risks to workers, patients, and the public from a radiation safety aspect. The guidelines for these regulations provide a single, comprehensive source of information for use by applicants, licensees and NRC staff and consolidate guidance found in 15 other NRC documents.

A copy of NUREG-1556, Volume 9 and Appendix BB - on paper or CD-rom - may be requested in writing to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Mrs. Carrie Brown, Mail Stop T 9-C24, Washington, DC 20555-0001; by email at CXB@nrc.gov; or by telephone at 301-415-8092. Single copies of the documents are also available for inspection and/or copying for a fee in the NRC Public Document Room, located at 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland. These documents will also be available on the NRC's web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/materials/miau/miau-reg-initiatives/by-product.html>.

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