Nuclear Regulatory Commission

§ 75.1 Purpose.

The purpose of this part is to implement the requirements established by treaties between the United States and the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA). These treaties include the Agreement Between the United States of America and the International Atomic Energy Agency for the Application of Safeguards in the United States of America (Safeguards Agreement) and the Protocol Additional to the Agreement Between the United States of America and the International Atomic Energy Agency for the Application of Safeguards in the United States of America (Additional Protocol). This part contains requirements to ensure that the United States meets its nuclear non-proliferation obligations under these US/IAEA Safeguards treaties. These obligations include providing information to the IAEA on the place of applicant, licensee, or certificate holder activities; information on source and special nuclear materials; and access to the place of applicant, licensee, or certificate holder activities. These obligations are similar to the obligations accepted by other countries.

§ 75.2 Scope.

(a) All persons licensed by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission or an Agreement State, or who hold a certificate of compliance, or construction permit or authorization issued by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, are subject to the requirements of this part. These requirements also apply to all persons who have filed an application with the NRC to construct a facility or to receive source or special nuclear material. Locations determined by the U.S. Government to be associated with activities or information of direct national security significance to the United States are excluded from these requirements. Specifically, these requirements pertain to the following locations and activities of licensees and certificate holders:

1. A facility, as defined in §75.4, and the site of the facility;
2. A location performing nuclear fuel cycle-related research and development, as defined in §75.4;
3. A location manufacturing, assembling, or constructing nuclear fuel cycle-related equipment or materials as defined in §75.4;
4. A location of a uranium or thorium mine or concentration plant (e.g., in-situ leach mines and activities involving ore processing);
5. A location importing or possessing "impure" source material (i.e., source material not in the form of purified chemical products (e.g., UF6, U metal, UO2));
6. A location possessing source or special nuclear material on which IAEA safeguards have been exempted or terminated;
7. A location receiving imports of material or equipment that is subject to export controls; and
8. The activity of exporting source materials for non-nuclear purposes or exporting of non-nuclear material or equipment that is subject to export controls.

(b) Facilities referred to in §75.2(a)(1) are also subject to the reporting requirements of §75.6(b) and (c), IAEA inspections in §75.8, Facility information in §75.10, and the Material Accounting and Control requirements in §§75.21 through 75.45.

(c) Locations referred to in §75.2(a)(2) through 75.2(a)(7) are also subject to the reporting requirements of §75.6(b) and (d), and IAEA inspections in §75.8, and location information in §75.11.

§ 75.3 Exemptions.

(a) The Commission may, upon application of any interested person or upon its own initiative, grant exemptions from the requirements of this Part if it determines that they are authorized by law and consistent with the Safeguards Agreement or the Additional Protocol, are not inimical to the common defense and security, and are otherwise in the public interest.

(b) Without limiting the generality of paragraph (a) of this section, the U.S. Government may request from the