

regulatory requirements of 10 CFR Part 33.

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II. Further Information

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I. Introduction

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Revision 2 of Regulatory Guide 6.1, "Leak Testing Radioactive Brachytherapy Sources," was issued with a temporary identification as Draft Regulatory Guide DG-6003. This guide directs the reader to methods and procedures acceptable to the staff of the NRC for leak testing radioactive brachytherapy sources. Possession and use of brachytherapy sources is an activity requiring a license pursuant to Title 10, section 30.3, "Activities Requiring License," of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR 30.3). The requirements in 10 CFR 35.67, "Requirements for Possession of Sealed Sources and Brachytherapy Sources," state in part, that the sources are to be periodically leak tested and that the test be capable of detecting the presence of 185 becquerel (Bq) (0.005 microcurie (μ Ci)) of radioactive material in the sample. The regulations also require that the source be immediately withdrawn from use if the test reveals the presence of 185 Bq (0.005 μ Ci) or more of removable contamination.

This regulatory guide endorses the methods and procedures for leak testing radioactive brachytherapy sources contained in the current revisions of NUREG-1556, Volume 3, "Consolidated Guidance about Materials Licenses:

Applications for Sealed Source and Device Evaluation and Registration" and NUREG-1556, Volume 9, "Consolidated Guidance about Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance about Medical Use Licenses" as a process that the NRC staff has found to be acceptable for meeting the regulatory requirements.

II. Further Information

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