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I. Introduction

The NRC is withdrawing RG 7.3 because its guidance has been superseded and is no longer needed. The guide was published in May 1975 to provide guidance on meeting the requirements in Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) 20.205, “Procedures for Picking Up, Receiving, and Opening Packages.” Regulatory Guide 7.3 provided guidance to licensees on making arrangements for receipt, pickup, and monitoring of packages containing radioactive material; and reporting when received packages showed evidence of leakage or excessive radiation levels. The NRC is withdrawing this regulatory guide because the information it contained has been combined into Revision 1 of RG 7.7, “Administrative Guide for Verifying Compliance with Packaging Requirements for Shipment and Receipt of Radioactive Material.” Revision 1 of RG 7.7 was finalized in March 2012 and announced in the Federal Register (77 FR 18871; March 28, 2012).

Regulatory Guide 7.3 was issued as part of an immediately effective rule making by the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) in 1974. The rule making was issued in response to two incidents that resulted in excessive contamination and radiation exposures from improperly packaged radioactive material. Since these requirements were new to the transportation community, the AEC developed RG 7.3 to provide licensees with guidance and describe a method for meeting the new requirements that the NRC staff found acceptable. In the 37 years since RG 7.3 was issued, the transportation community has gained extensive experience on transporting, receiving and opening packages containing radioactive material. The regulations have been updated several times, but RG has not been kept current.
II. Further Information

The withdrawal of RG 7.3 does not alter any prior or existing licensing commitments based on its use. The guidance provided in this RG is no longer necessary. Regulatory guides may be withdrawn when their guidance no longer provides useful information, or is superseded by technological innovations, congressional actions, or other events.

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