NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Advisory Committee on the Medical Uses of Isotopes: Meeting Notice

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) will convene a teleconference meeting of the Advisory Committee on the Medical Uses of Isotopes (ACMUI) on July 16, 2018, to discuss the draft report of the ACMUI Subcommittee on Training and Experience Requirements for All Modalities. This report will include the subcommittee’s comments on the NRC staff’s evaluation of the training and experience requirements for different categories of radiopharmaceuticals in Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations, part 35, “Medical Use of Byproduct Material,” Subpart E, “Unsealed Byproduct Material—Written Directive Required.” Meeting information, including a copy of the agenda and handouts, will be available at http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/acmui/meetings/2018.html. The agenda and handouts may also be obtained by contacting Ms. Maryann Ayoade using the information below.

DATES: The teleconference meeting will be held on Monday, July 16, 2018, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

Public Participation: Any member of the public who wishes to participate in the teleconference should contact Ms. Ayoade using the contact information below or may register for the GoToWebinar at https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2201638285137455618.

Contact Information: Maryann Ayoade, email: Maryann.Ayoade@nrc.gov, telephone: (301) 415–0862.

Conduct of the Meeting

Dr. Christopher Palestro, ACMUI Chairman, will preside over the meeting. Dr. Palestro 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 Ms. Ayoade at the contact information listed above. All submittals must be received by July 11, 2018, three business days prior to the meeting, and must pertain to the topic on the agenda for the meeting.

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

3. The draft transcript and meeting summary will be available on the ACMUI’s website http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/acmui/meetings/2018.html on or about August 27, 2018. 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 of the Code of Federal Regulations, part 7, “Advisory Committees.”

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 4th day of June, 2018.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

John McKirgan, Branch Chief, Spent Fuel Licensing Branch, Division of Spent Fuel Management, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Draft Letter to the Nuclear Energy Institute Regarding the Clarification of Regulatory Paths for Lead Test Assemblies

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of availability; opportunity for comment.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is soliciting public comments on a draft letter to the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) clarifying the regulatory paths for the use of lead test assemblies (LTAs). This draft letter would finalize the NRC staff’s views on the preliminary positions regarding LTAs provided in a letter to NEI dated June 29, 2017. The NRC does not currently have consolidated regulatory guidance regarding the use of LTAs. Therefore, the NRC has drafted this letter to clarify its positions regarding the use of LTAs. These positions would affect light-water reactor licensees who wish to irradiate LTAs.

DATES: Submit comments by June 27, 2018. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the Commission is able to ensure consideration only for comments received before this date.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

Federal Rulemaking website: Go to http://www.regulations.gov and search for Docket ID NRC–2018–0109. Address questions about NRC dockets to Jennifer Borges; telephone: 301–287–9127; email: Jennifer.Borges@nrc.gov. For technical questions, contact the individuals listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this document.

Mail comments to: May Ma, Office of Administration, Mail Stop: TWFN–7–A60M, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555–0001.

For additional direction on obtaining information and submitting comments, see “Obtaining Information and
Submitting Comments” in the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this document.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments

A. Obtaining Information

Please refer to Docket ID NRC–2018–0109 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information for this action. You may obtain publicly-available information related to this action by any of the following methods:

- NRC’s Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS): You may obtain publicly-available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html. To begin the search, select “ADAMS Public Documents” and then select “Begin Web-based ADAMS Search.” For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC’s Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1–800–397–4209, 301–415–4737, or by email to pdr.resource@nrc.gov. For the convenience of the reader, instructions about obtaining materials referenced in this document are provided in the “Availability of Documents” section.
- NRC’s PDR: You may examine and purchase copies of public documents at the NRC’s PDR, Room 01–F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

B. Submitting Comments

Please include Docket ID NRC–2018–0109 in your comment submission. The NRC cautions you not to include identifying or contact information that you do not want to be publicly disclosed in your comment submission. The NRC will post all comment submissions at http://www.regulations.gov as well as enter the comment submissions into ADAMS. The NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove identifying or contact information.

If you are requesting or aggregating comments from other persons for submission to the NRC, then you should inform those persons not to include identifying or contact information that they do not want to be publicly disclosed in their comment submission. Your request should state that the NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove such information before making the comment submissions available to the public or entering the comment into ADAMS.

II. Background

This draft letter clarifies the NRC staff’s interpretation of Standard Technical Specification (STS) 4.2.1, “Fuel Assemblies.” The first part of STS 4.2.1 places limitations on the number of fuel assemblies in the reactor core, the type of fuel that can be used, the cladding material that can be used (e.g., zircaloy or ZIRLO), and requires the use of NRC-approved codes and methods for the fuel assemblies. The last sentence of STS 4.2.1 allows for the irradiation of a limited number of LTAs that have not completed representative testing if placed in nonlimiting regions of the reactor core.

In the past, licensees have taken different approaches when conducting LTA campaigns. Some licensees obtained prior NRC approval by license amendments approving changes to Technical Specification (TS) 4.2.1 or exemptions from § 50.46, “Acceptance criteria for emergency core cooling systems for light-water nuclear power reactors,” of title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR), or both, for their LTA campaigns. Other licensees conducted LTA campaigns under 10 CFR 50.59, “Changes, tests, and experiments,” without prior NRC approval. This draft letter to NEI clarifies the NRC’s current interpretation of when prior NRC approval is needed for LTA campaigns. This draft letter responds to concerns from stakeholders, including NEI, that there is a lack of clarity in the regulatory requirements associated with the use of LTAs. For example, concerns were raised on the preliminary positions regarding LTAs provided in a letter to NEI dated June 29, 2017, as comments, in response to the NRC’s publication of the document, “Draft Project Plan to Prepare the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission to License and Regulate Accident Tolerant Fuel” (82 FR 60633; December 21, 2017), and in a license amendment request for Byron Station, Unit 2, dated March 8, 2018.

The draft letter provides clarification on the LTA provision in STS 4.2.1; clarification on the use of approved methods for LTA campaigns; two regulatory paths for LTA campaigns; guidance on the use of NEI 96–07, Revision 1, “Guidelines for 10 CFR 50.59 Implementation,” with regard to LTAs; and a position that an exemption to the requirements in 10 CFR 50.46 is not needed solely for the insertion of LTAs.

III. Non-Concurrence

An NRC staff member did not agree with some content of the draft letter to NEI and submitted a non-concurrence on the draft letter. In accordance with the NRC’s non-concurrence process, NRC management and staff worked to address the staff member’s concerns, and documentation of the non-concurrence is available in ADAMS.

IV. Backfitting and Issue Finality

If finalized, the letter would provide additional clarification on previous staff preliminary statements and positions regarding the use of LTAs made in a letter to NEI dated June 29, 2017. Issuance of the letter, if finalized, would not constitute backfitting as defined in 10 CFR 50.109 (the Backfit Rule) and would not otherwise be inconsistent with the issue finality provisions in 10 CFR part 52. The NRC has no current intention to impose the positions described in the draft letter on holders of current operating licenses or combined licenses.

V. Availability of Documents

The documents identified in the following table are available to interested persons through one or more of the following methods, as indicated.

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The NRC may post materials related to this document, including public comments, on the Federal Rulemaking website at http://www.regulations.gov under Docket ID NRC–2018–0109. The Federal Rulemaking website allows you to receive alerts when changes or additions occur in a docket folder. To subscribe: (1) Navigate to the docket folder (NRC–2018–0109); (2) click the “Sign up for Email Alerts” link; and (3) enter your email address and select how frequently you would like to receive emails (daily, weekly, or monthly).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 4th day of June, 2018.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Joseph G. Gitter,
Director, Division of Operating Reactor Licensing, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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POSTAL SERVICE

Product Change—Priority Mail Express Negotiated Service Agreement

AGENCY: Postal Service™.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Postal Service gives notice of filing a request with the Postal Regulatory Commission to add a domestic shipping services contract to the list of Negotiated Service Agreements in the Mail Classification Schedule’s Competitive Products List.

DATES: Date of required notice: June 7, 2018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Elizabeth Reed, 202–268–3179.


Elizabeth Reed, Attorney, Corporate and Postal Business Law.
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POSTAL SERVICE

Product Change—Priority Mail Negotiated Service Agreement

AGENCY: Postal Service™.

ACTION: Notice.

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