

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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[NRC–2025–0071]

Unified Agenda of Federal Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Semiannual Regulatory Agenda.

SUMMARY: We are publishing our semiannual regulatory agenda (the Agenda) in accordance with Public Law 96–354, “The Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA),” Executive Order (E.O.) 12866, “Regulatory Planning and Review,” E.O. 14219, “Ensuring Lawful Governance and Implementing the President’s ‘Department of Government Efficiency’ Deregulatory Initiative,” E.O. 14215, “Ensuring Accountability for All Agencies,” and E.O. 14192, “Unleashing Prosperity Through Deregulation.” The NRC’s Agenda is a compilation of all rulemaking activities on which we have recently completed action or have proposed or are considering action. The NRC’s Agenda was last issued online at the Office of Management and Budget’s website at <https://www.reginfo.gov> on December 13, 2024. This issuance of our Agenda contains information about rulemaking activities that are under development, completed, or canceled since the last agenda and a review of regulations with small business impacts under section 610 of the RFA.

DATES: Submit comments on rulemaking activities as identified in this Agenda by October 22, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments on any rulemaking activity in the Agenda by the date and methods specified in the **Federal Register** notice for the rulemaking activity. Comments received on rulemaking activities for which the comment period has closed will be considered if it is practical to do so, but assurance of consideration cannot be given except for comments received on or before the closure date specified in the **Federal Register** notice. You may submit comments on this Agenda through the Federal Rulemaking website by going to <https://www.regulations.gov> and searching for Docket ID NRC–2025–0071. Address questions about NRC dockets to Helen Chang, telephone: 301–415–3228; email: Helen.Chang@nrc.gov.

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

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments

A. Obtaining Information

Please refer to Docket ID NRC–2025–0071 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information for this document. You may obtain publicly available information related to this document by any of the following methods:

Federal Rulemaking website: Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC–2025–0071.

NRC’s PDR: The PDR, where you may examine and order copies of publicly available documents, is open by appointment. To make an appointment to visit the PDR, please send an email to PDR.Resource@nrc.gov or call 1–800–397–4209 or 301–415–4737, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. eastern time, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Reginfo.gov:

For completed rulemaking activities go to <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/eAgendaHistory?showStage=completed>, select “Spring 2025 Unified Agenda of Federal Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions” from the drop-down menu, and select “Nuclear Regulatory Commission” from the drop-down menu.

For active rulemaking activities go to <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/eAgendaMain> and select “Nuclear Regulatory Commission” from the drop-down menu.

For long term rulemaking activities go to <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/eAgendaMain>, select link for “Current Long Term Actions,” and select “Nuclear Regulatory Commission” from the drop-down menu.

B. Submitting Comments

The NRC encourages electronic comment submission through the Federal rulemaking website (<https://www.regulations.gov>). Please include Docket ID NRC–2025–0071 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 <https://www.regulations.gov> as well as enter the comment submissions into the NRC’s Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (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.

Introduction

The Agenda is a compilation of all rulemaking activities on which an agency has recently completed action or has proposed or is considering action. The Agenda reports rulemaking activities in three major categories: completed, active, and long term. Completed rulemaking activities are those that were completed since publication of an agency’s last Agenda; active rulemaking activities are those for which an agency currently plans to have an Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, a Proposed Rule, or a Final Rule issued within the next 12 months; and long term rulemaking activities are rulemaking activities under development but for which an agency does not expect to have a regulatory action within the 12 months after publication of the current edition of the Unified Agenda.

The NRC assigns a “Regulation Identifier Number” (RIN) to a rulemaking activity when the Commission initiates a rulemaking and approves a rulemaking plan, or when the NRC staff begins work on a Commission-delegated rulemaking that does not require a rulemaking plan. The Office of Management and Budget uses this number to track all relevant documents throughout the entire “lifecycle” of a particular rulemaking activity. The NRC reports all rulemaking activities in the Agenda that have been assigned a RIN and meet the definition for a completed, an active, or a long term rulemaking activity.

The information contained in this Agenda is updated to reflect agency

priorities, planning and coordination of public engagement efforts, and regulatory actions that have occurred on a rulemaking activity since publication of our last Agenda on December 13, 2024. Specifically, the information in this Agenda has been updated through April 21, 2025. The NRC provides additional information on planned rulemaking and petition for rulemaking activities, including priority and schedule, in the NRC’s Rulemaking Tracking System on our website at <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/rulemaking-ruleforum/active/ruleindex.html>.

The date for the next scheduled action under the heading “Timetable” is the date the next regulatory action for the rulemaking activity is scheduled to be published in the **Federal Register**. The date is considered tentative and is not binding on the Commission or its staff. The Agenda is intended to provide the public early notice and opportunity to participate in our rulemaking process. However, we may consider or act on any rulemaking activity even though it is not included in the Agenda.

Section 610 Periodic Reviews Under the Regulatory Flexibility Act

Section 610 of the RFA requires agencies to conduct a review within 10

years of issuance of those regulations that have or will have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. We undertake these reviews to decide whether the rules should be unchanged, amended, or withdrawn. We have completed one review of a regulation that has a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. No comments were received during our Section 610 review of “Physical Protection of Byproduct Material.” The NRC has concluded that the rule does not need to be amended at this time and has addressed the review factors in a report. The report is available in docket NRC–2023–0062 at <https://www.regulations.gov>. A complete listing of our regulations that impact small entities and related Small Entity Compliance Guides are available from NRC’s website at <https://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/regulatory/rulemaking/flexibility-act/small-entities.html>.

Public Comments Received on NRC’s Spring 2024 Agenda

The NRC received one written comment regarding the data described in the preamble to our semi-annual Agenda that was issued for public comment in the **Federal Register** on

August 16, 2024 (89 FR 66970). The comment noted the summary numbers of activities reported in our agenda did not align with the planned rulemaking activities on the NRC’s website.

The NRC actively seeks to improve its communication regarding the rulemaking process and reporting. To avoid confusion, the NRC will no longer report summary data regarding the type and category of rulemaking activities announced in our preamble, as the status of a given rulemaking activity may change while the Agenda is being prepared for publication. The NRC issues frequent updates to the information on our planned rulemaking and petition for rulemaking activities, including priority and schedule, in the NRC’s Rulemaking Tracking System on our website at <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/rulemaking-ruleforum/active/ruleindex.html>.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION—PROPOSED RULE STAGE

Sequence No.	Title	Regulation Identifier No.
309	Revision to the NRC’s Acquisition Regulation (NRCAR) [NRC–2014–0033]	3150–AJ36
310	Revision of Fee Schedules: Fee Recovery for FY 2026 [NRC–2023–0212]	3150–AL12

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION—FINAL RULE STAGE

Sequence No.	Title	Regulation Identifier No.
311	Items Containing Byproduct Material Incidental to Production [NRC–2015–0017]	3150–AJ54

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION—COMPLETED ACTIONS

Sequence No.	Title	Regulation Identifier No.
312	Revision of Fee Schedules: Fee Recovery for FY 2025 [NRC–2023–0069]	3150–AK95

Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC)	Proposed Rule Stage
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309. REVISION TO THE NRC’S ACQUISITION REGULATION (NRCAR) [NRC–2014–0033] [3150–AJ36]

Legal Authority: 42 U.S.C. 2201; 42 U.S.C. 5841

Abstract: This rulemaking would amend the NRC’s acquisition regulations (NRCAR) that govern the procurement of goods and services for the agency. The purpose of this rulemaking is to update the NRCAR to conform with external regulations, incorporate NRC organizational changes, and remove outdated or obsolete information. The revisions would affect both internal and external stakeholders (contractors) and are

needed to support current NRC contracting policies and ensure openness, transparency, and effectiveness in agency acquisitions.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/00/25	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes

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**310. REVISION OF FEE SCHEDULES:
FEE RECOVERY FOR FY 2026 [NRC–
2023–0212] [3150–AL12]**

Legal Authority: 31 U.S.C. 483; 42
U.S.C. 2201; 42 U.S.C. 2214; 42 U.S.C.
5841

Abstract: This rulemaking would
amend the NRC’s regulations for fee
schedules. Consistent with the Nuclear
Energy Innovation and Modernization
Act (NEIMA), the NRC conducts this
rulemaking annually to recover, to the
maximum extent practicable,
approximately 100 percent of the NRC’s
total budget authority, less the budget
authority for excluded activities.
NEIMA requires that the FY 2026 fees
to be collected, to the maximum extent
practicable, by September 30, 2026. This
rulemaking would affect the fee
schedules for licensing, inspections, and
annual fees charged to the NRC’s
applicants and licensees.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	01/00/26	
Final Rule	05/00/26	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis
Required: Yes

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Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC)	Final Rule Stage

**311. ITEMS CONTAINING
BYPRODUCT MATERIAL
INCIDENTAL TO PRODUCTION [NRC–
2015–0017] [3150–AJ54]**

Legal Authority: 42 U.S.C. 2201; 42
U.S.C. 5841

Abstract: This rulemaking would
amend the NRC’s regulations regarding
requirements for track-etched
membranes that have been irradiated
with mixed fission products during the
production process. The rule also would
accommodate the licensing and
distribution of other irradiated products
(e.g., gemstones) without the need for a
specific exemption for each distributor.
This rulemaking would affect the
licensees and applicants for items
containing byproduct material
incidental to production. The
rulemaking addresses a petition for
rulemaking (PRM–30–65). The NRC
engaged with stakeholders by issuing
draft versions of preliminary proposed
rule language, and requesting public
feedback.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Regulatory Basis	02/02/21	86 FR 7819
Regulatory Basis Comment Pe- riod End.	04/05/21	
NPRM	06/27/22	87 FR 38012
NPRM Comment Period End.	09/12/22	
Final Rule	12/00/25	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis
Required: Yes

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Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC)	Completed Actions

**312. REVISION OF FEE SCHEDULES:
FEE RECOVERY FOR FY 2025 [NRC–
2023–0069] [3150–AK95]**

Legal Authority: 31 U.S.C. 483; 42
U.S.C. 2201; 42 U.S.C. 2214; 42 U.S.C.
5841

Abstract: This rulemaking would
amend the NRC’s regulations for fee
schedules. The NRC conducts this
rulemaking annually to recover, to the
maximum extent practicable,
approximately 100 percent of the NRC’s
budget authority, less the budget
authority for excluded activities to
implement the Nuclear Energy
Innovation and Modernization Act.
NEIMA requires that the FY 2025 fees
be collected by September 30, 2025.
This rulemaking would affect the fee
schedules for licensing, inspection, and
annual fees charged to the NRC’s
applicants and licensees.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	02/19/25	90 FR 9848
NPRM Comment Period End.	03/21/25	
Final Rule	06/24/25	90 FR 26730
Final Rule Effec- tive Date.	08/25/25	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis
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