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§170.32 Schedule of fees for health and safety, and safeguards inspections for materials licenses.

Materials licensees shall pay inspection fees as set forth in §170.31.

[53 FR 52652, Dec. 29, 1988]

Enforcement

§170.41 Failure by applicant or licensee to pay prescribed fees.

If the Commission determines that an applicant or a licensee has failed to pay a prescribed fee required in this part, the Commission will not process any application and may suspend or revoke any license or approval issued to the applicant or licensee. The Commission may issue an order with respect to licensed activities that the Commission determines to be appropriate or necessary to carry out the provisions of this part, parts 30, 31, 32 through 35, 40, 50, 61, 70, 71, 72, 73, and 76 of this chapter, and of the act.

[66 FR 32474, June 14, 2001]

§170.51 Right to dispute assessed fees.

All debtors' disputes of fees assessed must be submitted in accordance with 10 CFR 15.31.

[86 FR 32176, June 16, 2021]

PART 171—ANNUAL FEES FOR RE-ACTOR LICENSES AND FUEL CYCLE LICENSES AND MATERIALS LICENSES, INCLUDING HOLDERS OF CERTIFICATES OF COMPLI-ANCE, REGISTRATIONS, AND QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM APPROVALS AND GOVERNMENT AGENCIES LICENSED BY THE NRC

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AUTHORITY: Atomic Energy Act of 1954, secs. 11, 161(w), 223, 234 (42 U.S.C. 2014, 2201(w), 2273, 2282); Energy Reorganization Act of 1974, sec. 201 (42 U.S.C. 5841); 42 U.S.C. 2215; 44 U.S.C. 3504 note.

SOURCE: 51 FR 33230, Sept. 18, 1986, unless otherwise noted.

§171.1 Purpose.

The regulations in this part set out the annual fees charged to persons who hold licenses, Certificates of Compliance, sealed source and device registrations, and quality assurance program approvals issued by the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, including licenses, registrations, approvals, and certificates issued to a Government agency.

[56 FR 31504, July 10, 1991]

§171.3 Scope.

The regulations in this part apply to any person holding an operating license for a non-power production or utilization facility issued under 10 CFR part 50 that has provided notification to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) that the licensee has successfully completed startup testing, and to any person holding an operating license for a power reactor or small modular reactor licensed under 10 CFR part 50 or a combined license issued under 10 CFR part 52 that has provided notification to the NRC that the licensee has successfully completed power ascension testing. The regulations in this part also apply to any person holding a materials license as defined in this part, a certificate of compliance, a sealed source or device registration, a quality assurance program approval, and to a Government agency as defined in this part. Notwithstanding the other provisions in this section, the regulations in this part do not apply to uranium recovery and fuel facility licensees until after the Commission verifies through inspection that the facility

has been constructed in accordance with the requirements of the license.

[86 FR 32176, June 16, 2021]

§171.5 Definitions.

Budget means the funds appropriated by Congress for the NRC for each fiscal year, and if that appropriation is not passed on or before September 1 for that fiscal year, the funds most recently appropriated by Congress for the most recent fiscal year.

Budget authority means the authority, in the form of an appropriation, provided by law and becoming available during the year, to enter into obligations that will result in immediate or future outlays involving Federal Government funds. The appropriation is an authorization by an Act of Congress that permits the NRC to incur obligations and to make payments out of the Treasury for specified purposes. Fees assessed pursuant to Public Law 115-439 are based on the NRC's budget authority.

Bundled unit means the cumulative licensed thermal power rating of a number of SMR reactors on the same site that, for 10 CFR part 171 purposes only, is considered a single fee unit. The maximum capacity of a bundled unit is 4,500 MWt. A single SMR reactor can be part of two bundled units if it completes the capacity of one unit and begins the capacity of an additional unit. For a given site, the use of the bundled unit concept is independent of the number of SMR plants, the number of SMR licenses issued, or the sequencing of the SMR licenses that have been issued. The first bundled unit on a site is assessed a minimum fee for capacity less than or equal to 250 MWt, plus a variable fee for capacity greater than 250 MWt and less than or equal to 2,000 MWt. Bundled units with capacities greater than 2.000 MWt and less than or equal to 4,500 MWt are assessed a maximum fee that is equivalent to the annual fee paid by the current reactor fleet. The maximum fee replaces the minimum and variable fee for the first bundled unit. Each additional increment of 4,500 MWt of SMR capacity on the same site constitutes an additional bundled unit. No minimum fee is assessed to additional bundled units. For any additional bundled unit, a variable fee applies to capacities less than or equal to 2,000 MWt and the maximum fee applies to capacities greater than 2,000 MWt and less than or equal to 4,500 MWT. For additional bundled units, the maximum fee replaces the variable fee.

Byproduct material means-

(1) Any radioactive material (except special nuclear material) yielded in, or made radioactive by, exposure to the radiation incident to the process of producing or using special nuclear material;

(2)(i) Any discrete source of radium-226 that is produced, extracted, or converted after extraction, before, on, or after August 8, 2005, for use for a commercial, medical, or research activity; or

(ii) Any material that—

(A) Has been made radioactive by use of a particle accelerator; and

(B) Is produced, extracted, or converted after extraction, before, on, or after August 8, 2005, for use for a commercial, medical, or research activity; and

(3) Any discrete source of naturally occurring radioactive material, other than source material, that—

(i) The Commission, in consultation with the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, the Secretary of Energy, the Secretary of Homeland Security, and the head of any other appropriate Federal agency, determines would pose a threat similar to the threat posed by a discrete source of radium-226 to the public health and safety or the common defense and security; and

(ii) Before, on, or after August 8, 2005, is extracted or converted after extraction for use in a commercial, medical, or research activity.

Certificate holder means a person who holds a certificate of compliance, or other package approval issued by the Commission.

Commission means the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission or its duly authorized representatives.

Federal fiscal year means a year that begins on October 1 of each calendar year and ends on September 30 of the following calendar year. Federal fiscal years are identified by the year in

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which they end (e.g., fiscal year 1987 begins in 1986 and ends in 1987).

Government agency means any executive department, commission, independent establishment, corporation, wholly or partly owned by the United States of America which is an instrumentality of the United States, or any board, bureau, division, service, office, officer, authority, administration, or other establishment in the executive branch of the government.

Greater Than Class C Waste or GTCC Waste means low-level radioactive waste that exceeds the concentration limits of radionuclides established for Class C waste in 10 CFR 61.55.

High enriched uranium fuel means uranium enriched to 20 percent or greater in the isotope uranium-235.

Low enriched uranium fuel means uranium enriched below 20 percent in the isotope uranium-235.

Materials license means a license, certificate, approval, registration or other form of permission issued or granted by the NRC under the regulations in 10 CFR parts 30, 31 through 36, 39, 40, 61, 70, 71, 72, and 76.

Maximum fee is the highest fee paid by a single bundled unit. It is applied to all bundled units on an SMR site with a licensed thermal power rating greater than 2,000 MWt and less than or equal to 4,500 MWt and is equal to the flat annual fee paid by existing fleet power reactors.

Minimum fee means one annual fee component paid by the first bundled unit on a site with a cumulative licensed thermal power rating of 2,000 MWt or less. For the first bundled unit on a site with a licensed thermal power rating of 250 MWt or less, it is the only annual fee that a licensee pays.

Non-power production or utilization facility means a production or utilization facility licensed under 10 CFR 50.21(a) or (c), or 10 CFR 50.22, as applicable, that is not a nuclear power reactor or production facility as defined under paragraphs (1) and (2) of the definition of "production facility" in 10 CFR 50.2.

Nonprofit educational institution means a public or nonprofit educational institution whose primary function is education, whose programs are accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting agency or association, who is legally authorized to provide a program of organized instruction or study, who provides an educational program for which it awards academic degrees, and whose educational programs are available to the public.

Nuclear reactor means an apparatus, other than an atomic weapon, used to sustain fission in a self-supporting chain reaction.

Operating license means having a license issued pursuant to §50.57 of this chapter. It does not include licenses that only authorize possession of special nuclear material after the Commission has received a request from the licensee to amend its licensee to permanently withdraw its authority to operate or the Commission has permanently revoked such authority.

Person means:

(1) Any individual, corporation, partnership, firm, association, trust, estate, public or private institution, group, Government agency other than the Commission; any state or any political subdivision of, or any political entity within, a state; any foreign Government or nation or any political subdivision of any such government or nation; or other entity; and

(2) Any legal successor, representative, agent, or agency of the foregoing.

Power reactor means a nuclear reactor designed to produce electrical or heat energy and licensed by the Commission under the authority of section 103 or subsection 104b of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and pursuant to the provisions of §50.21(b) or §50.22 of this chapter.

Quality assurance program approval is the document issued by the NRC to approve the quality assurance program submitted to the NRC as meeting the requirements of §71.101 of this chapter. Activities covered by the quality assurance program may be divided into two major groups: those activities including design, fabrication and use of packaging and those activities for use only of packaging.

Registration holder as used in this part means any manufacturer or initial distributor of a sealed source or device containing a sealed source that holds a certificate of registration issued by the NRC or a holder of a registration for a sealed source or device manufactured

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in accordance with the unique specifications of, and for use by, a single applicant.

Research reactor means a nuclear reactor licensed by the Commission under the authority of subsection 104cof the Act and pursuant to the provisions of 50.21(c) of this chapter for operation at a thermal power level of 10 megawatts or less, and which is not a testing facility as defined in this section.

Small modular reactor (SMR) for the purposes of calculating fees, means the class of light-water power reactors having a licensed thermal power rating less than or equal to 1,000 MWt per module. This rating is based on the thermal power equivalent of a lightwater SMR with an electrical power generating capacity of 300 MWe or less per module.

Small modular reactor site (SMR site) is the geographically bounded location of one or more SMRs and a basis on which SMR fees are calculated.

Source material means:

(1) Uranium or thorium, or any combination thereof, in any physical or chemical form; or

(2) Ores which contain by weight one-twentieth of one percent (0.05%) or more of

(i) Uranium,

(ii) Thorium, or

(iii) Any combination thereof.

Source material does not include special nuclear material.

Special nuclear material means:

(1) Plutonium, uranium-233, uranium enriched in the isotope 233 or in the isotope 235, and any other material which the Commission, pursuant to the provisions of section 51 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, determines to be special nuclear material, but does not include source material; or

(2) Any material artificially enriched by any of the foregoing, but does not include source material.

Testing facility means a nuclear reactor licensed by the Commission under the authority of subsection 104c of the Act and pursuant to the provisions of \$50.21(c) of this chapter for operation at:

(1) A thermal power level in excess of 10 megawatts; or

(2) A thermal power level in excess of 1 megawatt, if the reactor is to contain:

(i) A circulating loop through the core in which the applicant proposes to conduct fuel experiments; or

(ii) A liquid fuel loading; or

(iii) An experimental facility in the core in excess of 16 square inches in cross-section.

Variable fee means the annual fee component paid by the first bundled unit on a site with a licensed thermal power rating greater than 250 MWt and less than or equal to 2,000 MWt; or the annual fee component paid by additional bundled units on a site that have a licensed thermal power rating of less than or equal to 2,000 MWt. The variable fee is the product of the bundled unit thermal power capacity (in the applicable range) and the variable rate.

Variable rate means a per-MWt fee factor applied to all bundled units on site with a licensed thermal power rating less than or equal to 2,000 MWt. For the first bundled unit on a site with a licensed thermal power rating greater than 250 MWt and less than or equal to 2,000 MWt, the variable rate is based on the difference between the maximum fee and the minimum fee, divided by 1,750 MWt (the variable fee licensed thermal rating range). For additional bundled units with a licensed thermal power rating less than or equal to 2,000 MWt, the variable rate is based on the maximum fee divided by 2,000 MWt.

[51 FR 33230, Sept. 18, 1986, as amended at 53 FR 52652, Dec. 29, 1988; 56 FR 31505, July 10, 1991; 57 FR 32714, July 23, 1992; 58 FR 38695, July 20, 1993; 65 FR 36964, June 12, 2000; 66 FR 32474, June 14, 2001; 67 FR 42634, June 24, 2002; 71 FR 30752, May 30, 2006; 72 FR 35936, Oct. 1, 2007; 81 FR 32627, May 24, 2016; 81 FR 45964, July 15, 2016; 83 FR 29652, June 25, 2018; 86 FR 32177, June 16, 2021]

§171.7 Interpretations.

Except as specifically authorized by the Commission in writing, no interpretation of the regulations in this part by an officer or employee of the Commission, other than a written interpretation by the General Counsel, will be recognized as binding on the Commission.

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\$171.8 Information collection requirements: OMB approval

This part contains no information collection requirements and therefore is not subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

[62 FR 52191, Oct. 6, 1997]

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§171.9 Communications.

All communications concerning the regulations in this part should be addressed to the NRC's Chief Financial Officer, either by mail to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; by hand delivery to the NRC's offices at 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland; or, where practicable, by electronic submission, for example, via Electronic Information Exchange, or CD-ROM. Electronic submissions must be made in a manner that enables the NRC to receive, read, authenticate, distribute, and archive the submission, and process and retrieve it a single page at a time. Detailed guidance on making electronic submissions can be obtained by visiting the NRC's Web site at http:// www.nrc.gov/site-help/e-submittals.html; by e-mail to MSHD.Resource@nrc.gov; or by writing the Office of the Chief Information Officer. U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001. The guidance discusses, among other topics, the formats the NRC can accept, the use of electronic signatures, and the treatment of nonpublic information.

[68 FR 58826, Oct. 10, 2003, as amended at 74 FR 62687, Dec. 1, 2009; 80 FR 74982, Dec. 1, 2015]

§171.11 Exemptions.

(a) All requests for exemptions must be filed with the NRC within 90 days from the effective date of the final rule establishing the annual fees for which the exemption is sought in order to be considered. Absent extraordinary circumstances, any exemption requests filed beyond that date will not be considered. The filing of an exemption request does not extend the date on which the bill is payable. Only timely payment in full ensures avoidance of interest and penalty charges. If a partial or full exemption is granted, any overpayment will be refunded. Requests for clarification of or questions relating to an annual fee bill must also be filed within 90 days from the date of the initial invoice to be considered.

(b) An annual fee is not required for:

(1) A construction permit or license applied for by, or issued to, a nonprofit educational institution for a production or utilization facility, other than a power reactor, or for the possession and use of byproduct material, source material, or special nuclear material. This exemption does not apply to those byproduct, source, or special nuclear material licenses which authorize:

(i) Human use:

(ii) Remunerated services to other persons;

(iii) Distribution of byproduct material, source material, or special nuclear material or products containing byproduct material, source material, or special nuclear material; or

(iv) Activities performed under a Government contract.

(2) Federally-owned and State-owned research reactors used primarily for educational training and academic research purposes. For purposes of this exemption, the term research reactor means a nuclear reactor that—

(i) Is licensed by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission under section 104c. of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2134(c)) for operation at a thermal power level of 10 megawatts or less; and

(ii) If so licensed for operation at a thermal power level of more than 1 megawatt, does not contain—

(A) A circulating loop through the core in which the licensee conducts fuel experiments;

(B) A liquid fuel loading; or

(C) An experimental facility in the core in excess of 16 square inches in cross-section.

(c) The Commission may, upon application by an interested person or on its own initiative, grant an exemption from the requirements of this part that it determines is authorized by law and otherwise in the public interest.

(d) An exemption for reactors licensed to operate may be granted by the Commission taking into consideration each of the following factors:

(1) Age of the reactor;

(2) Number of customers in rate base;(3) Net increase in KWh cost for each customer directly related to the annual fee assessed under this part; and

(4) Any other relevant matter which the licensee believes justifies the reduction of the annual fee.

(e) The Commission may grant a materials licensee an exemption from the annual fee if it determines that the annual fee is not based on a fair and equitable allocation of the NRC costs. The following factors must be fulfilled as determined by the Commission for an exemption to be granted:

(1) There are data specifically indicating that the assessment of the annual fee will result in a significantly disproportionate allocation of costs to the licensee, or class of licensees; or

(2) There is clear and convincing evidence that the budgeted generic costs attributable to the class of licensees are neither directly or indirectly related to the specific class of licensee nor explicitly allocated to the licensee by Commission policy decisions; or

(3) Any other relevant matter that the licensee believes shows that the annual fee was not based on a fair and equitable allocation of NRC costs.

[56 FR 31505, July 10, 1991, as amended at 57
FR 32714, July 23, 1992; 58 FR 38695, July 20,
1993; 59 FR 12543, Mar. 17, 1994; 59 FR 36924,
July 20, 1994; 67 FR 42634, June 24, 2002; 70 FR
30548, May 29, 2005; 79 FR 37150, June 30, 2014;
86 FR 32177, June 16, 2021]

§171.13 Notice.

The annual fees applicable to any NRC licensee subject to this part and calculated in accordance with §§171.15 and 171.16, will be published as a notice in the FEDERAL REGISTER as soon as possible but no later than the third quarter of the fiscal year. The annual fees will become due and payable to the NRC as indicated in §171.19. Quarterly payments of the annual fee of \$100,000 or more will continue during the fiscal year and be based on the applicable annual fees as shown in §§171.15 and 171.16 until a notice concerning the revised amount of the fees for the fiscal year is published by the NRC. If the NRC is unable to publish a final fee rule that becomes effective during the current fiscal year, fees would be assessed based

on the rates in effect for the previous fiscal year.

[64 FR 31475, June 10, 1999]

§171.15 Annual fees: Non-power production or utilization licenses, reactor licenses, and independent spent fuel storage licenses.

(a) Each person holding an operating license for one or more non-power production or utilization facilities under 10 CFR part 50 that has provided notification to the NRC of the successful completion of startup testing; each person holding an operating license for a power reactor licensed under 10 CFR part 50 or a combined license under 10 CFR part 52 that has provided notification to the NRC of the successful completion of power ascension testing; each person holding a 10 CFR part 50 or 52 power reactor license that is in decommissioning or possession only status, except those that have no spent fuel onsite; and each person holding a 10 CFR part 72 license who does not hold a 10 CFR part 50 or 52 license and provides notification in accordance with 10 CFR 72.80(g), shall pay the annual fee for each license held during the Federal fiscal year in which the fee is due. This paragraph (a) does not apply to test or research reactors exempted under §171.11(b).

(b)(1) The FY 2022 annual fee for each operating power reactor that must be collected by September 30, 2022, is \$5.165.000.

(2) The FY 2022 annual fees are comprised of a base annual fee for power reactors licensed to operate, a base spent fuel storage/reactor decommissioning annual fee and associated additional charges. The activities comprising the spent fuel storage/reactor decommissioning base annual fee are shown in paragraphs (c)(2)(i) and (ii) of this section. The activities comprising the FY 2022 base annual fee for operating power reactors are as follows:

(i) Power reactor safety and safeguards regulation except licensing and inspection activities recovered under part 170 of this chapter and generic reactor decommissioning activities.

(ii) Research activities directly related to the regulation of power reactors, except those activities specifically related to reactor decommissioning.

(iii) Generic activities required largely for NRC to regulate power reactors (e.g., updating part 50 or 52 of this chapter, operating the Incident Response Center, new reactor regulatory infrastructure). The base annual fee for operating power reactors does not include generic activities specifically related to reactor decommissioning.

(c)(1) The FY 2022 annual fee for each power reactor holding a 10 CFR part 50 license or combined license issued under 10 CFR part 52 that is in a decommissioning or possession-only status and has spent fuel onsite, and for each independent spent fuel storage 10 CFR part 72 licensee who does not hold a 10 CFR part 50 license or a 10 CFR part 52 combined license, is \$227,000.

(2) The FY 2022 annual fee is comprised of a base spent fuel storage/reactor decommissioning annual fee (which is also included in the operating power reactor annual fee shown in paragraph (b) of this section). The activities comprising the FY 2022 spent fuel storage/ reactor decommissioning rebaselined annual fee are:

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(i) Generic and other research activities directly related to reactor decommissioning and spent fuel storage; and

(ii) Other safety, environmental, and safeguards activities related to reactor decommissioning and spent fuel storage, except costs for licensing and inspection activities that are recovered under part 170 of this chapter.

(d)(1) Each person holding an operating license for an SMR issued under 10 CFR part 50 or a combined license issued under 10 CFR part 52 that has provided notification to the NRC of the successful completion startup testing, shall pay the annual fee for all licenses held for an SMR site. The annual fee will be determined using the cumulative licensed thermal power rating of all SMR units and the bundled unit concept, during the fiscal year in which the fee is due. For a given site, the use of the bundled unit concept is independent of the number of SMR plants, the number of SMR licenses issued, or the sequencing of the SMR licenses that have been issued.

(2) The annual fees for a small modular reactor(s) located on a single site to be collected by September 30 of each year, are as follows:

Bundled unit thermal power rating	Minimum fee	Variable fee	Maximum fee
First Bundled Unit: 0 MWt ≤250 MWt >250 MWt ≤2,000 MWt >2,000 MWt ≤4,500 MWt >2,000 MWt ≤4,500 MWt	TBD	N/A	N/A.
	TBD	TBD	N/A.
	N/A	N/A	TBD.
	N/A	TBD	N/A.
	N/A	N/A	TBD.

TABLE 1 TO PARAGRAPH (d)(2)

(3) The annual fee for an SMR collected under this paragraph (d) is in lieu of any fee otherwise required under paragraph (b) of this section. The annual fee under this paragraph (d) covers the same activities listed for the power reactor base annual fee and the spent fuel storage/reactor decommissioning reactor fee.

(e) The FY 2022 annual fee for licensees authorized to operate one or more non-power production or utilization facilities under a single 10 CFR part 50 license, unless the reactor is exempted from fees under §171.11(b), is \$90,100.

[72 FR 31426, June 6, 2007, as amended at 72 FR 49566, Aug. 28, 2007; 73 FR 32407, June 6, 2008; 74 FR 27665, June 10, 2009; 75 FR 34240, June 16, 2010; 76 FR 36802, June 22, 2011; 77 FR 35831, June 15, 2012; 78 FR 39487, July 1, 2013; 79 FR 37150, June 30, 2014; 80 FR 37460, June 30, 2015; 81 FR 32628, May 24, 2016; 81 FR 45964, July 15, 2016; 81 FR 41192, June 24, 2016; 82 FR 30704, June 30, 2017; 83 FR 29652, June 25, 2018; 84 FR 22356, May 17, 2019; 85 FR 37277, June 19, 2020; 86 FR 32177, June 16, 2021; 87 FR 37221, June 22, 2022]

§171.16 Annual fees: Materials licensees, holders of certificates of compliance, holders of sealed source and device registrations, holders of quality assurance program approvals, and government agencies licensed by the NRC.

(a)(1) The provisions of this section apply to person(s) who are authorized to conduct activities under—

(i) 10 CFR part 30 for byproduct material;

(ii) 10 CFR part 40 for source material;

(iii) 10 CFR part 70 for special nuclear material;

(iv) 10 CFR part 71 for packaging and transportation of radioactive material; and

 $\left(v\right)$ 10 CFR part 76 for uranium enrichment.

(2) Notwithstanding the other provisions in this section, the regulations in this part do not apply to uranium recovery and fuel facility licensees until after the Commission verifies through inspection that the facility has been constructed in accordance with the requirements of the license.

(3) In accordance with 171.17, each person identified in paragraph (a)(1) of this section shall pay the applicable annual fee for each license the person holds during the FY. Annual fees will be prorated for new licenses issued and for licenses for which termination is requested and activities permanently ceased during the FY as provided in 171.17. If a single license authorizes

more than one activity (e.g., human use and irradiator activities), annual fees will be assessed for each fee category applicable to the license. If a person holds more than one license, the total annual fee assessed will be the cumulative total of the annual fees applicable to each license held.

(b) The FY 2022 annual fee is comprised of a base annual fee and associated additional charges. The base FY 2022 annual fee is the sum of budgeted costs for the following activities:

(1) Generic and other research activities directly related to the regulation of materials licenses as defined in this part; and

(2) Other safety, environmental, and safeguards activities for materials licenses, except costs for licensing and inspection activities that are recovered under Part 170 of this chapter.

(c) A licensee who is required to pay an annual fee under this section, in addition to 10 CFR part 72 licenses, may qualify as a small entity. If a licensee qualifies as a small entity and provides the Commission with the proper certification along with its annual fee payment, the licensee may pay reduced annual fees as shown in table 1 to this paragraph (c). Failure to file a small entity certification in a timely manner could result in the receipt of a delinquent invoice requesting the outstanding balance due and/or denial of any refund that might otherwise be due. The small entity fees are as follows:

TABLE 1 TO PARAGRAPH (C)

NRC small entity classification	Maximum annual fee per licensed category
Small Businesses Not Engaged in Manufacturing (Average gross receipts over the last 5 completed fiscal years):	
\$555,000 to \$8 million	\$4,900
Less than \$555,000	1,000
Small Not-For-Profit Organizations (Annual Gross Receipts):	
\$555,000 to \$8 million	4,900
Less than \$555,000	1,000
Manufacturing Entities that Have An Average of 500 Employees or Fewer:	
35 to 500 employees	4,900
Fewer than 35 employees	1,000
Small Governmental Jurisdictions (Including publicly supported educational institutions) (Population):	
20,000 to 49,999	4,900
Fewer than 20,000	1,000
Educational Institutions that are not State or Publicly Supported, and have 500 Employees or Fewer:	
35 to 500 employees	4,900
Fewer than 35 employees	1,000

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(d) The FY 2022 annual fees for materials licensees and holders of certifis cates, registrations, or approvals sub-

ject to fees under this section are shown in table 2 to this paragraph (d):

TABLE 2 TO PARAGRAPH (D)—SCHEDULE OF MATERIALS ANNUAL FEES AND FEES FOR GOVERNMENT AGENCIES LICENSED BY NRC

Category of materials licenses	Annual fees 123
1. Special nuclear material:	
A. (1) Licenses for possession and use of U-235 or plutonium for fuel fabrication activities	
 (a) Strategic Special Nuclear Material (High Enriched Uranium)¹⁵ [Program Code(s): 21213] 	\$4,334,000
(b) Low Enriched Uranium in Dispersible Form Used for Fabrication of Power Reactor	\$ 1,00 1,000
Fuel 15 [Program Code(s): 21210]	1,469,000
(2) All other special nuclear materials licenses not included in Category 1.A.(1) which are licensed	
for fuel cycle activities. (a) Facilities with limited operations ¹⁵ [Program Code(s): 21310, 21320]	968,000
(b) Gas centrifuge enrichment demonstration facility ¹⁵ [Program Code(s): 21205]	N/A
(c) Others, including hot cell facility 15 [Program Code(s): 21130, 21133]	N/A
B. Licenses for receipt and storage of spent fuel and reactor-related Greater than Class C (GTCC) waste at an independent spent fuel storage installation (ISFSI) ¹¹¹⁵ [Program Code(s): 23200]	N/A
C. Licenses for possession and use of special nuclear material of less than a critical mass, as de-	IN/A
fined in §70.4 of this chapter, in sealed sources contained in devices used in industrial meas-	
uring systems, including x-ray fluorescence analyzers. [Program Code(s): 22140]	2,400
D. All other special nuclear material licenses, except licenses authorizing special nuclear material	
in sealed or unsealed form in combination that would constitute a critical mass, as defined in §70.4 of this chapter, for which the licensee shall pay the same fees as those under Category	
1.A. [Program Code(s): 22110, 22111, 22120, 22131, 22136, 22150, 22151, 22161, 22170,	
23100, 23300, 23310]	5,800
E. Licenses or certificates for the operation of a uranium enrichment facility ¹⁵ [Program Code(s):	1 000 000
21200] F. Licenses for possession and use of special nuclear materials greater than critical mass, as de-	1,888,000
fined in §70.4 of this chapter, for development and testing of commercial products, and other	
non-fuel cycle activities. ⁴ [Program Code: 22155]	4,300
2. Source material:	
A. (1) Licenses for possession and use of source material for refining uranium mill concentrates to uranium hexafluoride or for deconverting uranium hexafluoride in the production of uranium ox-	
ides for disposal. ¹⁵ [Program Code: 11400]	436,000
(2) Licenses for possession and use of source material in recovery operations such as milling, in-	
situ recovery, heap-leaching, ore buying stations, ion-exchange facilities and in-processing of ores containing source material for extraction of metals other than uranium or thorium, including	
licenses authorizing the possession of byproduct waste material (tailings) from source material	
recovery operations, as well as licenses authorizing the possession and maintenance of a facility	
in a standby mode.	
 (a) Conventional and Heap Leach facilities.¹⁵ [Program Code(s): 11100] (b) Basic In Situ Recovery facilities.¹⁵ [Program Code(s): 11500] 	N/A 42.000
(c) Expanded In Situ Recovery facilities ¹⁵ [Program Code(s): 11510]	N/A
(d) In Situ Recovery Resin facilities. ¹⁵ [Program Code(s): 11550]	⁵ N/A
(e) Resin Toll Milling facilities. ¹⁵ [Program Code(s): 11555]	⁵ N/A
 (f) Other facilities ⁶ [Program Code(s): 11700] (3) Licenses that authorize the receipt of byproduct material, as defined in Section 11e.(2) of the 	⁵ N/A
Atomic Energy Act, from other persons for possession and disposal, except those licenses sub-	
ject to the fees in Category 2.A.(2) or Category 2.A.(4) 15 [Program Code(s): 11600, 12000]	⁵ N/A
(4) Licenses that authorize the receipt of byproduct material, as defined in Section 11e.(2) of the	
Atomic Energy Act, from other persons for possession and disposal incidental to the disposal of the uranium waste tailings generated by the licensee's milling operations, except those licenses	
subject to the fees in Category 2.A.(2) ¹⁵ [Program Code(s): 12010]	N/A
B. Licenses which authorize the possession, use, and/or installation of source material for shield-	
ing. ^{16 17} Application [Program Code(s): 11210]	2,700
C. Licenses to distribute items containing source material to persons exempt from the licensing re- guirements of part 40 of this chapter. [Program Code: 11240]	9,000
D. Licenses to distribute source material to persons generally licensed under part 40 of this chap-	3,000
ter. [Program Code(s): 11230 and 11231]	5,100
E. Licenses for possession and use of source material for processing or manufacturing of products or materials containing source material for commercial distribution. [Program Code: 11710]	6,500
F. All other source material licenses. [Program Code(s): 11200, 11220, 11221, 11300, 11800,	0,000
11810, 11820]	8,800
3. Byproduct material:	
A. Licenses of broad scope for possession and use of byproduct material issued under parts 30 and 33 of this chapter for processing or manufacturing of items containing byproduct material for	
commercial distribution. Number of locations of use: 1–5. [Program Code(s): 03211, 03212,	
03213]	27,800

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37,0	(1). Licenses of broad scope for the possession and use of byproduct material issued under parts 30 and 33 of this chapter for processing or manufacturing of items con- taining byproduct material for commercial distribution. Number of locations of use: 6– 20. [Program Code(s): 04010, 04012, 04014]
- ,-	(2). Licenses of broad scope for the possession and use of byproduct material issued under parts 30 and 33 of this chapter for processing or manufacturing of items con- taining byproduct material for commercial distribution. Number of locations of use: more
46,2	than 20. [Program Code(s): 04011, 04013, 04015] b. Other licenses for possession and use of byproduct material issued under part 30 of this chap- ter for processing or manufacturing of items containing byproduct material for commercial dis-
9,7	 tribution. Number of locations of use: 1–5. [Program Code(s): 03214, 03215, 22135, 22162] (1). Other licenses for possession and use of byproduct material issued under part 30 of this chapter for processing or manufacturing of items containing byproduct material for commercial distribution. Number of locations of use: 6–20. [Program Code(s): 04110,
12,9	04112, 04114, 04116] (2). Other licenses for possession and use of byproduct material issued under part 30 of this chapter for processing or manufacturing of items containing byproduct material for commercial distribution. Number of locations of use: more than 20. [Program Code(s):
16,0	04111, 04113, 04115, 04117]
9,11	02511, 02513]
12,1	 use: 6–20. [Program Code(s): 04210, 04212, 04214] (2). Licenses issued under §§ 32.72 and/or 32.74 of this chapter that authorize the processing or manufacturing and distribution or redistribution of radiopharmaceuticals, generators, reagent kits, and/or sources and devices containing byproduct material. This category does not apply to licenses issued to nonprofit educational institutions whose processing or manufacturing is exempt under §170.11(a)(4). Number of locations of
16,5 ⁵ N	use: more than 20. [Program Code(s): 04211, 04213, 04215] D. [Reserved] E. Licenses for possession and use of byproduct material in sealed sources for irradiation of mate- rials in which the source is not removed from its shield (self-shielded units). [Program Code(s):
10,0	03510, 03520]
9,1	source is not exposed for irradiation purposes. [Program Code(s): 03511] 3. Licenses for possession and use of greater than 10,000 curies of byproduct material in sealed sources for irradiation of materials in which the source is exposed for irradiation purposes. This category also includes underwater irradiators for irradiation of materials in which the source is
72,7	not exposed for irradiation purposes. [Program Code(s): 03521] H. Licenses issued under subpart A of part 32 of this chapter to distribute items containing byprod- uct material that require device review to persons exempt from the licensing requirements of part 30 of this chapter, except specific licenses authorizing redistribution of items that have been au- thorized for distribution to persons exempt from the licensing requirements of part 30 of this
8,7	 chapter. [Program Code(s): 03254, 03255, 03257] Licenses issued under subpart A of part 32 of this chapter to distribute items containing byproduct material or quantities of byproduct material that do not require device evaluation to persons exempt from the licensing requirements of part 30 of this chapter, except for specific licenses authorizing redistribution of items that have been authorized for distribution to persons exempt from the licensing requirements of part 30 of this chapter. [Program Code(s): 03250, 03251.
17,5	03253, 03256]
3,6	Code(s): 03240, 03241, 03243]

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Category of materials licenses	Annual fees 123
 K. Licenses issued under subpart B of part 32 of this chapter to distribute items containing byproduct material or quantities of byproduct material that do not require sealed source and/or device review to persons generally licensed under part 31 of this chapter, except specific licenses authorizing redistribution of items that have been authorized for distribution to persons generally licensed under part 31 of this chapter, except specific licenses authorized for distribution to persons generally licensed under part 31 of this chapter. [Program Code(s): 03242, 03244] L. Licenses of broad scope for possession and use of byproduct material issued under parts 30 and 33 of this chapter for research and development that do not authorize commercial distribution. Number of locations of use: 1–5. [Program Code(s): 01100, 01110, 01120, 03610, 03611, 	2,700
 03612, 03613] (1) Licenses of broad scope for possession and use of product material issued under parts 30 and 33 of this chapter for research and development that do not authorize commercial distribution. Number of locations of use: 6–20. [Program Code(s): 04610, 	12,700
 04612, 04614, 04616, 04618, 04620, 04622] (2) Licenses of broad scope for possession and use of byproduct material issued under parts 30 and 33 of this chapter for research and development that do not authorize commercial distribution. Number of locations of use: more than 20. [Program Code(s): 	
04611, 04613, 04615, 04617, 04619, 04621, 04623, 04623 M. Other licenses for possession and use of byproduct material issued under part 30 of this chap- ter for research and development that do not authorize commercial distribution. [Program	
Code(s): 03620] N. Licenses that authorize services for other licensees, except: (1) Licenses that authorize only calibration and/or leak testing services are subject to the fees specified in fee Category 3.P.; and (2) Licenses that authorize waste disposal services are subject to the fees specified in fee cat-	13,500
 egories 4.A., 4.B., and 4.C.²¹ [Program Code(s): 03219, 03225, 03226] O. Licenses for possession and use of byproduct material issued under part 34 of this chapter for industrial radiography operations. This category also includes the possession and use of source material for shielding authorized under part 40 of this chapter when authorized on the same li- 	
 cense Number of locations of use: 1–5. [Program Code(s): 03310, 03320] (1). Licenses for possession and use of byproduct material issued under part 34 of this chapter for industrial radiography operations. This category also includes the possession and use of source material for shielding authorized under part 40 of this chapter when authorized on the same license. Number of locations of use: 6–20. [Program 	
Code(s): 04310, 04312]	39,400
gram Code(s): 04311, 04313] P. All other specific byproduct material licenses, except those in Categories 4.A. through 9.D. ¹⁶ Number of locations of use: 1–5. [Program Code(s): 02400, 02410, 03120, 03121, 03122,	49,400
03123, 03124, 03140, 03130, 03220, 03221, 03222, 03200, 03810, 22130]	9,900
04438] (2). All other specific byproduct material licenses, except those in Categories 4.A. through 9.D. ¹⁸ Number of locations of use: more than 20. [Program Code(s): 04411, 04413, 04415, 04415, 04419, 04421, 04425, 04425, 04427, 04429, 04431, 04433, 04435,	
04437, 04439] Q. Registration of devices generally licensed under part 31 of this chapter R. Possession of items or products containing radium-226 identified in §31.12 of this chapter which exceed the number of items or limits specified in that section: ¹⁴ . (1). Possession of quantities exceeding the number of items or limits in §31.12(a)(4), or (5) of this chapter but less than or equal to 10 times the number of items or limits spec-	
 (c) of this chapter bar less that of equal to reduce to the function of thems of minis specified in field. [Program Code(s): 02700] (2). Possession of quantities exceeding 10 times the number of items or limits specified in § 31.12(a)(4) or (5) of this chapter [Program Code(s): 02710] 	6,100 6,500
 § 31.12(a)(4) or (5) of this chapter [Program Code(s): 02710]	24,200
transfer of packages to another person authorized to receive or dispose of waste material. [Pro- gram Code(s): 03231, 03233, 03236, 06100, 06101]	

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pecifically authorizing the receipt of waste byproduct material, source material, or par material from other persons for the purpose of packaging or repackaging the ma- censee will dispose of the material by transfer to another person authorized to re- pose of the material. [Program Code(s): 03234]	15,900
pecifically authorizing the receipt of prepackaged waste byproduct material, source special nuclear material from other persons. The licensee will dispose of the material o another person authorized to receive or dispose of the material. [Program Code(s):	
	8,800
r possession and use of byproduct material, source material, and/or special nuclear well logging, well surveys, and tracer studies other than field flooding tracer studies.	10 700
vde(s): 03110, 03111, 03112] r possession and use of byproduct material for field flooding tracer studies. [Program 113]	12,700 ⁵N/A
113]	° N/ <i>F</i>
r commercial collection and laundry of items contaminated with byproduct material, rial, or special nuclear material. [Program Code(s): 03218]	28,500
sued under parts 30, 35, 40, and 70 of this chapter for human use of byproduct ma- e material, or special nuclear material in sealed sources contained in gamma radiosurgery units, teletherapy devices, or similar beam therapy devices. This cat- cludes the possession and use of source material for shielding when authorized on	
ense. ⁹ Number of locations of use: 1–5. [Program Code(s): 02300, 02310] iccenses issued under parts 30, 35, 40, and 70 of this chapter for human use of by- duct material, source material, or special nuclear material in sealed sources con- led in gamma stereotactic radiosurgery units, teletherapy devices, or similar beam rapy devices. This category also includes the possession and use of source material shielding when authorized on the same license. ⁹ Number of locations of use: 6–20.	27,500
bgram Code(s): 04510, 04512] iccenses issued under parts 30, 35, 40, and 70 of this chapter for human use of by- duct material, source material, or special nuclear material in sealed sources con- ued in gamma stereotactic radiosurgery units, teletherapy devices, or similar beam rapy devices. This category also includes the possession and use of source material shielding when authorized on the same license. ⁹ Number of locations of use: more	36,700
n 20. [Program Code(s): 04511, 04513] f broad scope issued to medical institutions or two or more physicians under parts 40, and 70 of this chapter authorizing research and development, including human induct material, except licenses for byproduct material, source material, or special nu- al in sealed sources contained in teletherapy devices. This category also includes ion and use of source material for shielding when authorized on the same license. ⁹	45,900
bocations of use: 1–5. [Program Code(s): 02110] icenses of broad scope issued to medical institutions or two or more physicians ler parts 30, 33, 35, 40, and 70 of this chapter authorizing research and develop- nt, including human use of byproduct material, except licenses for byproduct mate- source material, or special nuclear material in sealed sources contained in tele- rapy devices. This category also includes the possession and use of source material shielding when authorized on the same license. ⁹ Number of locations of use: 6–20.	37,800
bgram Čode(s): 04710] icenses of broad scope issued to medical institutions or two or more physicians ler parts 30, 33, 35, 40, and 70 of this chapter authorizing research and develop- nt, including human use of byproduct material, except licenses for byproduct mate- source material, or special nuclear material in sealed sources contained in tele- rapy devices. This category also includes the possession and use of source material shielding when authorized on the same license. ⁹ Number of locations of use: more	50,200
n 20. [Program Code(s): 04711]	62,600
10, 02201, 02210, 02220, 02230, 02231, 02240, 22160] ther licenses issued under parts 30, 35, 40, and 70 of this chapter for human use of roduct material, source material, and/or special nuclear material, except licenses for roduct material, source material, or special nuclear material in sealed sources con- ned in teletherapy devices. This category also includes the possession and use of rice material for shielding when authorized on the same license. ^{9 19} Number of loca- is of use: 6–20. [Program Code(s): 04810, 04812, 04814, 04816, 04818, 04820,	17,000
322, 04824, 04826, 04828]	17,100

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Annual fees 123	Category of materials licenses
Annual lees	
	(2). Other licenses issued under parts 30, 35, 40, and 70 of this chapter for human use of byproduct material, source material, and/or special nuclear material, except licenses for byproduct material, source material, or special nuclear material in sealed sources con- tained in teletherapy devices. This category also includes the possession and use of
	source material for shielding when authorized on the same license.919 Number of loca-
21,200	tions of use: more than 20. [Program Code(s): 04811, 04813, 04815, 04817, 04819, 04821, 04823, 04825, 04827, 04829]
	. Civil defense:
6,10	A. Licenses for possession and use of byproduct material, source material, or special nuclear ma- terial for civil defense activities. [Program Code(s): 03710]
-, -	. Device, product, or sealed source safety evaluation:
	A. Registrations issued for the safety evaluation of devices or products containing byproduct mate- rial, source material, or special nuclear material, except reactor fuel devices, for commercial dis-
18,100	tribution
	B. Registrations issued for the safety evaluation of devices or products containing byproduct mate- rial, source material, or special nuclear material manufactured in accordance with the unique
9,400	specifications of, and for use by, a single applicant, except reactor fuel devices
5,500	C. Registrations issued for the safety evaluation of sealed sources containing byproduct material, source material, or special nuclear material, except reactor fuel, for commercial distribution
3,500	D. Registrations issued for the safety evaluation of sealed sources containing byproduct material, source material, or special nuclear material, manufactured in accordance with the unique speci-
1,100	fications of, and for use by, a single applicant, except reactor fuel
	0. Transportation of radioactive material:
	A. Certificates of compliance or other package approvals issued for design of casks, packages, and shipping containers.
6 N/A	and shipping containers. 1. Spent fuel, high-level waste, and plutonium air packages
6 N/A	2. Other casks
	B. Quality assurance program approvals issued under part 71 of this chapter.
⁶ N/A	1. Users and Fabricators
6 N/A	2. Users C. Evaluation of security plans, route approvals, route surveys, and transportation security devices
⁶ N/A	(including immobilization devices)
6 N/A	1. Standardized spent fuel facilities
⁶ N/A	2. Special Projects [Program Code(s): 25110]
⁶ N/A	3. A. Spent fuel storage cask Certificate of Compliance
¹² N/A	B. General licenses for storage of spent fuel under §72.210 of this chapter
	4. Decommissioning/Reclamation:
	A. Byproduct, source, or special nuclear material licenses and other approvals authorizing decommissioning, decontamination, reclamation, or site restoration activities under parts 30, 40, 70, 72,
	and 76 of this chapter, including master materials licenses (MMLs). The transition to this fee cat-
7 20 N/A	egory occurs when a licensee has permanently ceased principal activities. [Program Code(s): 03900, 11900, 21135, 21215, 21325, 22200]
	B. Site-specific decommissioning activities associated with unlicensed sites, including MMLs,
7 N/A	whether or not the sites have been previously licensed
⁸ N/A	5. Import and Export licenses
⁸ N/A	6. Reciprocity
344,000	 Master materials licenses of broad scope issued to Government agencies.¹⁵ [Program Code(s): 03614] Department of Energy:
10\$1,503,000	A. Certificates of Compliance
	B. Uranium Mill Tailings Radiation Control Act (UMTRCA) activities [Program Code(s): 03237,
211,000	03238]

¹Annual fees will be assessed based on whether a licensee held a valid license with the NRC authorizing possession and use of radioactive material during the current FY. The annual fee is waived for those materials licenses and holders of certificates, registrations, and approvals who either filed for termination of their licenses or approvals or filed for possession only/storage li-censes before October 1 of the current FY. The annual fee is waived for those materials licenses and holders of certificates, registrations, and approvals who either filed for termination of their licenses or approvals or filed for possession only/storage li-censes before October 1 of the current FY, and permanently ceased licensed activities entirely before this date. Annual fees for licensees who filed for termination of a license, downgrade of a license, or for a possession-only license during the FY and for new licenses issued during the FY will be prorated in accordance with the provisions of § 171.17. If a person holds more than one license, certificate, registration, or approval, the annual fee(s) will be assessed for each license, cirtificate, registration, or approval, the annual fees value activities on a single license (*e.g.*, human use and irradiator activities), annual fees will be assessed for each new the license. ² Payment of the prescribed annual fee does not automatically renew the license, certificate, registration, or approval for which the fee is paid. Renewal applications must be filed in accordance with the requirements of part 30, 40, 70, 71, 72, or 76 of this chapter.

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7 Licensees in this category are not assessed an annual fee because they are charged an annual fee in other categories while they are licensed to operate. ⁸No annual fee is charged because it is not practical to administer due to the relatively short life or temporary nature of the li-

⁹ Separate annual fees will not be assessed for pacemaker licenses issued to medical institutions that also hold nuclear medicine licenses under fee categories 7.A, 7.A.1, 7.A.2, 7.B., 7.B.1, 7.B.2, 7.C, 7.C.1, or 7.C.2.
 ¹⁰ This includes certificates of compliance issued to the U.S. Department of Energy that are not funded from the Nuclear Words Eucl.

¹⁰ This includes certificates of compliance issued to the 0.5. Department of Energy and the set of the set

¹⁶ Persons who possess radium sources that are used to operational purposes in another fee category are not also subject to the fees in this category. (This exception does not apply if the radium sources are possessed for storage only.) ¹⁵ Licensees subject to fees under categories 1.A., 1.B., 1.E., 2.A., and licensees paying fees under fee category 17 must pay the largest applicable fee and are not subject to additional fees listed in this table. ¹⁶ Licensees paying fees under 3.C. are not subject to fees under 2.B. for possession and shielding authorized on the same li-¹⁶ Licensees paying fees under 3.C. are not subject to fees under 2.B. for possession and shielding authorized on the same li-

cense. 17Licensees paying fees under 7.C. are not subject to fees under 2.B. for possession and shielding authorized on the same li-

¹⁸ Licensees paying fees under 3.N. are not subject to paying fees under 3.P., 3.P.1, or 3.P.2 for calibration or leak testing

¹⁸Licensees paying fees under 3.N. are not subject to paying fees under 3.P., 3.P.1, or 3.P.2 for calibration or leak testing services authorized on the same license.
¹⁹Licensees paying fees under 7.B., 7.B.1, or 7.B.2 are not subject to paying fees under 7.C., 7.C.1, or 7.C.2 for broad scope licenses issued under parts 30, 35, 40, and 70 of this chapter for human use of byproduct material, source material, and/ or special nuclear material, except licenses for byproduct material, source material, and/ or special nuclear material, except licenses is license or byproduct material, source material, and/ or special nuclear material, except licenses licenses.
²⁰ No annual fee is charged for a materials license (or part of a materials license) that has transitioned to this fee category because the decommissioning costs will be recovered through 10 CFR part 170 fees, but annual fees may be charged for other activities authorized under the license that are not in decommissioning status.
²¹ Licensees paying fees under 4.A., 4.B. or 4.C. are not subject to paying fees under 3.N. licenses that authorize services for other licenses.

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§171.17 Proration.

Annual fees will be prorated for NRC licensees as follows:

(a) Reactors. 10 CFR part 72 licensees who do not hold 10 CFR part 50 or 10 CFR part 52 licenses, and materials licenses with annual fees of \$100,000 or greater for a single fee category. The NRC will base the proration of annual fees for terminated and downgraded licenses on the fee rule in effect at the time the action is official. The NRC will base the determinations on the proration requirements under paragraphs (a)(2) and (3) of this section.

(1) New licenses. (i) The annual fees for new licenses for power reactors and small modular reactors that are subject to fees under this part, for which the licensee has notified the NRC on or after October 1 of a fiscal year (FY) that the licensee has successfully completed power ascension testing, are prorated on the basis of the number of days remaining in the FY. Thereafter, the full annual fee is due and payable each subsequent FY.

(ii) The annual fees for new licenses for non-power production or utilization

facilities, 10 CFR part 72 licensees who do not hold 10 CFR part 50 or 52 licenses, and materials licenses with annual fees of \$100,000 or greater for a single fee category for the current FY, that are subject to fees under this part and are granted a license to operate on or after October 1 of a FY, are prorated on the basis of the number of days remaining in the FY. Thereafter, the full annual fee is due and payable each subsequent FY.

(2) Terminations. The base operating power reactor annual fee for operating reactor licensees or the annual fee for small modular reactor licensees, who have requested amendment to withdraw operating authority permanently during the FY will be prorated based on the number of days during the FY the license was in effect before docketing of the certifications for permanent cessation of operations and permanent removal of fuel from the reactor vessel or when a final legally effective order to permanently cease operations has come into effect. The spent fuel storage/reactor decommissioning annual fee for reactor licensees who permanently cease operations and have permanently removed fuel from the site during the FY will be prorated on the basis of the number of days remaining in the FY after docketing of both

the certifications of permanent cessation of operations and permanent removal of fuel from the site. The spent fuel storage/reactor decommissioning annual fee will be prorated for those 10 CFR part 72 licensees who do not hold a 10 CFR part 50 or 52 license who request termination of the 10 CFR part 72 license and permanently cease activities authorized by the license during the FY based on the number of days the license was in effect before receipt of the termination request. The annual fee for materials licenses with annual fees of \$100,000 or greater for a single fee category for the current FY will be prorated based on the number of days remaining in the FY when a termination request or a request for a possession-only license is received by the NRC, provided the licensee permanently ceased licensed activities during the specified period. The annual fee for non-power production or utilization facilities will be prorated based on the number of days remaining in the FY when the authorization to operate the facility has been permanently removed from the license during the FY.

(3) Downgraded licenses. The annual fee for a materials license with an annual fee of \$100,000 or greater for a single fee category for the current FY, that is subject to fees under this part and downgraded on or after October 1 of a FY, is automatically prorated by the agency on the basis of the number of days remaining in the FY when the application for downgrade is received and approved by the NRC, provided the licensee permanently ceased the stated activities during the specified period.

(b) Materials licenses (excluding 10 CFR part 72 licenses and materials license with annual fees of 100,000 or greater for a single fee category, included in 171.17(a)).

(1) New licenses. The annual fee for a materials license that is subject to fees under this part and issued on or after October 1 of the FY is prorated on the basis of when the NRC issues the new license. New licenses issued during the period October 1 through March 31 of the FY will be assessed one-half the annual fee for that FY. New licenses issued on or after April 1 of the FY will not be assessed an annual fee for that

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FY. Thereafter, the full fee is due and payable each subsequent FY.

(2) Terminations. The annual fee will be prorated for licenses for which a termination request or a request for a POL has been received on or after October 1 of a FY on the basis of when the application for termination or POL is received by the NRC provided the licensee permanently ceased licensed activities during the specified period. Licenses for which applications for termination or POL are filed during the period October 1 through March 31 of the FY are assessed one-half the annual fee for the applicable category(ies) for that FY. Licenses for which applications for termination or POL are filed on or after April 1 of the FY are assessed the full annual fee for that FY. Materials licenses transferred to a new Agreement State during the FY are considered terminated by the NRC, for annual fee purposes, on the date that the Agreement with the State becomes effective; therefore, the same proration provisions will apply as if the licenses were terminated.

(3) Downgraded licenses. (i) The annual fee for a materials license that is subject to fees under this part and downgraded on or after October 1 of a FY is automatically prorated on the basis of the date when the application for downgrade is received and approved by the NRC, provided the licensee permanently ceased the stated activities during the specified period.

(ii) Annual fees for licenses for which applications to downgrade are filed during the period October 1 through March 31 of the FY will be prorated as follows:

(A) Licenses for which applications have been filed to reduce the scope of the license from a higher fee category(ies) to a lower fee category(ies) will be assessed one-half the annual fee for the higher fee category and one-half the annual fee for the lower fee category(ies), and, if applicable, the full annual fee for fee categories not affected by the downgrade; and

(B) Licenses with multiple fee categories for which applications have been filed to downgrade by deleting a fee category will be assessed one-half the annual fee for the fee category

being deleted and the full annual fee for the remaining categories.

(iii) Licenses for which applications to downgrade are filed on or after April 1 of the FY are assessed the full fee for that FY.

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FR 35835, June 15, 2012; 83 FR 29657, June 25, 2018; 85 FR 37277, June 19, 2020; 86 FR 32183, June 16, 2021]

§171.19 Payment.

(a) Method of payment. Annual fee payments, made payable to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, are to be made in U.S. funds by electronic funds transfer such as ACH (Automated Clearing House) using EDI (Electronic Data Interchange), check, draft, money order, or credit card. Federal agencies may also make payment by the On-line and Collection System Payment (OPAC's). Where specific payment instructions are provided on the invoices to applicants and licensees, payment should be made accordingly, e.g. invoices of \$5,000 or more should be paid via ACH through NRC's Lockbox Bank at the address indicated on the invoice. Credit card payments should be made up to the limit established by the credit card bank, in accordance with specific instructions provided with the invoices, to the Lockbox Bank designated for credit card payments. In accordance with Department of the Treasury requirements, refunds will only be made upon receipt of information on the payee's financial institution and bank accounts.

(b) Annual fees in the amount of \$100,000 or more and described in the FEDERAL REGISTER document issued under §171.13, must be paid in quarterly installments of 25 percent as billed by the NRC. The quarters begin on October 1, January 1, April 1, and July 1 of each fiscal year. The NRC will adjust the fourth quarterly invoice to recover the full amount of the revised annual fee. If the amounts collected in the first three quarters exceed the amount of the revised annual fee, the overpayment will be refunded. Licensees whose annual fee for the previous fiscal year was less than \$100.000 (billed on the anniversary date of the license), and whose revised annual fee for the current fiscal year is \$100,000 or greater

(subject to quarterly billing), will be issued a bill upon publication of the final rule for the full amount of the revised annual fee for the current fiscal year, less any payments received for the current fiscal year based on the anniversary date billing process.

(c) Annual fees that are less than \$100,000 are billed on the anniversary date of the license. For annual fee purposes, the anniversary date of the license is considered to be the first day of the month in which the original license was issued by the NRC. Licensees that are billed on the license anniversary date will be assessed the annual fee in effect on the anniversary date of the license. Materials licenses subject to the annual fee that are terminated during the fiscal year but before the anniversary month of the license will be billed upon termination for the fee in effect at the time of the billing. New materials licenses subject to the annual fee will be billed in the month the license is issued or in the next available monthly billing for the fee in effect on the anniversary date of the license. Thereafter, annual fees for new licenses will be assessed in the anniversary month of the license.

(d) Annual fees of less than 100,000 must be paid as billed by the NRC. Materials license annual fees that are less than 100,000 are billed on the anniversary date of the license. The materials licensees that are billed on the anniversary date of the license are those covered by fee categories 1.C., 1.D., 1.F., and 2.A.(2) through 9.D.

(e) Payment is due on the invoice date and interest accrues from the date of the invoice. However, interest will be waived if payment is received within 30 days from the invoice date.

(f) The NRC is entitled to collect any underpayment of fees as a result of an error by the NRC.

[65 FR 36968, June 12, 2000, as amended at 66
FR 32478, June 14, 2001; 71 FR 30755, May 30, 2006; 71 FR 33190, June 8, 2006; 72 FR 31432, June 6, 2007; 78 FR 39491, July 1, 2013; 79 FR 37154, June 30, 2014; 82 FR 30708, June 30, 2017]

§171.21 [Reserved]

§171.23 Enforcement.

If any person required to pay the annual fee fails to pay when the fee is

due, or files a false certification with respect to qualifying as a small entity under the Regulatory Flexibility Criteria, the Commission may refuse to process any application submitted by or on behalf of the person with respect to any license issued to the person and may suspend or revoke any licenses held by the person. The filing of a false certification to qualify as a small entity under §171.16(c) of this part may also result in punitive action pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1001.

[56 FR 31510, July 10, 1991]

§171.25 Collection, interest, penalties, and administrative costs.

All annual fees in §§171.15 and 171.16 will be collected pursuant to the procedures of 10 CFR part 15. Interest, penalties and administrative costs for late payments will be assessed in accord-

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ance with 10 CFR part 15, of this chapter, 4 CFR part 102, and other relevant regulations of the United States Government, as appropriate. In the event a quarterly installment is not made by the appropriate due date specified in \$171.19, the full fee becomes due and payable, with interest, penalties, and administrative costs of collection calculated from the date that quarterly installment was due.

[56 FR 31511, July 10, 1991]

§171.26 Right to dispute assessed fees.

All debtors' disputes of fees assessed must be submitted in accordance with 10 CFR 15.31.

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