

March 27, 2000

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Dear Ms. Stoeckel:

We have reviewed the final Rhode Island Rules and Regulations for the Control of Radiation which became effective in July 1999. The final regulations are in response to the 17 amendments identified in the enclosed Regulation Assessment Tracking System (RATS) Data Sheet. The regulations were reviewed by comparison to the equivalent NRC regulations in 10 CFR Parts 19, 20, 30, 32, 34 and 35.

As a result of the NRC review, we have one comment that has been identified in the enclosure. As indicated in our September 22, 1999 letter to you, it is our understanding that Rhode Island will adopt the additional language for the definitions of occupational dose and public dose to make them compatible with NRC regulations during your next round of proposed amendments. Our review determined that the remainder of the Rhode Island regulations, as adopted, meet the compatibility and health and safety categories established in the Office of State Programs Procedure SA-200.

We have also summarized on the RATS Data Sheet our knowledge of the status of other Rhode Island regulations. Please let us know if you note any inaccuracies or have any comments on the information contained in the RATS Data Sheet.

If you have any questions regarding the comments, the compatibility and health and safety categories, or any of the NRC regulations used in the review, please contact me or Duncan White at (610) 337-5042 or ADW@NRC.GOV.

Sincerely,

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**COMMENTS ON FINAL RHODE ISLAND REGULATIONS
AGAINST COMPATIBILITY AND HEALTH AND SAFETY CATEGORIES**

State Regulation	NRC Regulation	RATS ID	Category	Subject and Comments
A.0	20.1003	1995-5	A	<p>Definitions of Occupational and Public Dose</p> <p>The definitions do not include reference to individuals administered radioactive materials and released in accordance with Section C.8.24 of the Rhode Island regulations.</p> <p>Unless this reference is included, these definitions would not meet the compatibility category.</p>

REGULATION ASSESSMENT TRACKING SYSTEM
RATS DATA SHEET

State: Rhode Island

Tracking Ticket Number: 0-68

[17 final amendments (7/99) identified by★]

Date: March 27, 2000

NRC Chronology Identification	FR Notice (State Due Date)	RATS ID	Proposed/ Final- Comment (Y/N)¹	NRC Review Date	Final State Regulation² (Effective Date)
Standards for Protection Against Radiation-Part 20	56 FR 23360 plus others (1/1/94)	1991-3	F-N	10/16/97	4/21/95
Safety Requirements for Radiographic Equipment-Part 34	55 FR 843 (1/10/94)	1991-1	RATS ID 1997-5		
ASNT Certification of Radiographers-Part 34	56 FR 11504 (none)	1991-2			Not required ³
Notification of Incidents-Parts 20, 30, 31, 34, 39, 40, 70	56 FR 64980 (10/15/94)	1991-4	F-N	9/22/99	6/95
Quality Management Program and Misadministrations-Part 35	56 FR 34104 (1/27/95)	1992-1	F-N	9/22/99	6/95
Eliminating the Recordkeeping Requirements for Departures from Manufacturer's Instructions-Parts 30,35	57 FR 45566 (none)	1992-2			Not required ³
Licensing and Radiation Safety Requirements for Irradiators-Part 36	58 FR 7715 (7/1/96)	1993-2			Not applicable
Definition of Land Disposal and Waste Site QA Program-Part 61	58 FR 33886 (7/22/96)	1993-3			Not applicable
★ Decommissioning Recordkeeping and License Termination: Documentation Additions [Restricted areas and spill sites]-Parts 30, 40	58 FR 39628 (10/25/96)	1993-1	F-N	3/27/00	7/99
★ Self-Guarantee as an Additional Financial Mechanism- Parts 30, 40, 70	58 FR 68726 59 FR 1618 (none)	1994-1	F-N	3/27/00	Not required ³ (7/99)
Uranium Mill Tailings Regulations: Conforming NRC Requirements to EPA Standards-Part 40	59 FR 28220 (7/1/97)	1994-2			Not applicable
★ Timeliness in Decommissioning Material Facilities-Parts 30, 40, 70	59 FR 36026 (8/15/97)	1994-3	F-N	3/27/00	7/99
★ Preparation, Transfer for Commercial Distribution, and Use of Byproduct Material for Medical Use-Parts 30, 32, 35	59 FR 61767 59 FR 65243 60 FR 322 (1/1/98)	1995-1	F-N	3/27/00	7/99
★ Frequency of Medical Examinations for Use of Respiratory Protection Equipment-Part 20	60 FR 7900 (3/13/98)	1995-2	F-N	3/27/00	7/99
★ Low-Level Waste Shipment Manifest Information and Reporting-Parts 20, 61	60 FR 15649 60 FR 25983 (3/1/98)	1995-3	F-N	3/27/00	7/99

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★ Performance Requirements for Radiography Equipment- Part 34	60 FR 28323 (6/30/98)	1995-4	F-N	3/27/00	7/99
★ Radiation Protection Requirements: Amended Definitions and Criteria- Parts 19, 20	60 FR 36038 (8/14/98)	1995-5	F-Y	3/27/00	7/99
★ Clarification of Decommissioning Funding Requirements-Parts 30, 40, 70	60 FR 38235 (11/24/98)	1995-6	F-N	3/27/00	7/99
★ Medical Administration of Radiation and Radioactive Materials-Parts 20, 35	60 FR 48623 (10/20/98)	1995-7	F-N	3/27/00	7/99
10 CFR Part 71: Compatibility with the International Atomic Energy Agency- Part 71	60 FR 50248 61 FR 28724 (4/1/99)	1996-1			
One Time Extension of Certain Byproduct, Source and Special Nuclear Materials Licenses-Parts 30, 40, 70	61 FR 1109 (none)	1996-2			Not required ³
★ Termination or Transfer of Licensed Activities: Recordkeeping Requirements-Parts 20, 30, 40, 61, 70	61 FR 24669 (6/17/99)	1996-3	F-N	3/27/00	7/99
Resolution of Dual Regulation of Airborne Effluents of Radioactive Materials; Clean Air Act-Part 20	61 FR 65119 (1/9/00)	1997-1			
Fissile Material Shipments and Exemptions-Part 71	62 FR 5907 (none)	1997-4			Not required ³
Recognition of Agreement State Licenses in Areas Under Exclusive Federal Jurisdiction Within an Agreement State-Part 150	62 FR 1662 (2/27/00)	1997-2			
★ Criteria for the Release of Individuals Administered Radioactive Material- Parts 20, 35	62 FR 4120 (5/29/00)	1997-3	F-N	3/27/00	7/99
★ Licenses for Industrial Radiography and Radiation Safety Requirements for Industrial Radiography Operations-Parts 30, 34, 71, 150	62 FR 28948 (6/27/00)	1997-5	F-N	3/27/00	7/99
Radiological Criteria for License Termination- Parts 20, 30, 40, 70	62 FR 39057 (8/20/00)	1997-6			
★ Exempt Distribution of a Radioactive Drug Containing One Microcurie of Carbon-14 Urea-Part 30	62 FR 63634 (1/02/01)	1997-7	F-N	3/27/00	7/99
Deliberate Misconduct by Unlicensed Persons- Parts 30, 40, 61, 70, 150	63 FR 1890 63 FR 13773 (2/12/01)	1998-1			
Self-Guarantee of Decommissioning Funding by Nonprofit and Non-Bond- Issuing Licensees- Parts 30, 40, 70	63 FR 29535 (none)	1998-2			Not required ³
License Term for Medical Use Licenses- Part 35	63 FR 31604 (none)	1998-3			Not required ³
★ Licenses for Industrial Radiography and Radiation Safety Requirements for Industrial Radiographic Operations-Part 34	63 FR 37059 (7/9/01)	1998-4	F-N	3/27/00	7/99
★ Minor Corrections, Clarifying Changes, and a Minor Policy Change- Parts 20, 35, 36	63 FR 39347 63 FR 45393 (10/26/01)	1998-5	F-N	3/27/00	7/99

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★ Transfer for Disposal and Manifests: Minor Technical Conforming Amendment-Part 20	63 FR 50127 (11/20/01)	1998-6	F-N	3/27/00	7/99
Radiological Criteria for License Termination of Uranium Recovery Facilities-Part 40	64 FR 17506 (6/11/02)	1999-1			Not applicable
Requirements for Those Who Possess Certain Industrial Devices Containing Byproduct Material to Provide Requested Information-Part 31	64 FR 42269 (none)	1999-2			Not required ³
Respiratory Protection and Controls to Restrict Internal Exposure - Part 20	64 FR 54543 64 FR 55525 (2/2/03)	1999-3			

1. (Y/N) Y means "Yes," there are comments in the review letter that the State needs to address. N means "No," there are no comments in the review letter.
2. Or other generic Legally Binding Requirement.
3. Not required means these regulations are not required for purposes of compatibility.