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ALL AGREEMENT STATES, PENNSYLVANIA, MINNESOTA, WISCONSIN

NRC PUBLISHES REVISED 10 CFR PART 35 - MEDICAL USE OF BYPRODUCT MATERIAL (STP-02-032)

On April 24, 2002, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) published the regulation 10 CFR Part 35 entitled, "Medical Use of Byproduct Material" in the Federal Register. This regulation was revised in its entirety, along with selected sections of 10 CFR Parts 20 and 32, and is available on the NRC Rulemaking Forum Web Site at: <http://ruleforum.llnl.gov/cgi-bin/rulemake?source=MU--PRULE>.

To assist the staff in responding to questions on State schedules to adopt Part 35, **please inform us, by COB, June 24, 2002, of your timetable for promulgating compatible medical regulations.*** This information should be provided to the individual named below.

Agreement States will have up to 3 years (no later than April 24, 2005), from the date of publication, to adopt compatible medical regulations. To assist you in this effort, a detailed chart identifying the various compatibility designations was developed and placed on the Office of State and Tribal Programs Web Site at "What's New."

Subpart J, the current 10 CFR Part 35 Training and Experience (T&E) requirements, will be retained for a 2-year transition period. The transition period will begin on the effective date of the revised rule. For Agreement States, this 2-year transition period begins on the effective date of the revised rule and runs **concurrently** with the 3-year timeframe for adopting a compatible medical rule.

If you have any questions regarding this correspondence, please contact me or the individual named below.

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