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Under the amended regulation, the NRC will publish its current criminal history check fee on the NRC public web site and notify licensees directly (by email) whenever the application fee is adjusted. The *Federal Register* notice also informs licensees that an adjusted criminal history check application fee of \$27.00 is effective immediately.

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