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MEMORANDUM TO: Donald A. Cool, Director
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Medical Nuclear Safety, NMSS

FROM: Paul H. Lohaus, Director
Office of State Programs *Paul H. Lohaus*

SUBJECT: DRAFT FINAL RULE: MAJOR REVISION OF 10 CFR PART 35

We have reviewed the subject document and concur. It reflects extensive work and we appreciate the opportunity you have provided to work with you and your staff on this rulemaking revision. Your efforts in effectively using the NRC/OAS Working Group in development of the revision are commendable.

We suggest that the text additions noted on pp. 4-5 of Section IV of the Federal Register be completed. We also suggest you consider adding a paragraph to the Commission paper to discuss staff's work with the CRCPD SR-6 Working Group to develop, in parallel, an equivalent Part G Suggested State Regulation. If known, any anticipated differences expected between the two rules (i.e., Part 35 and Part G) should be identified. Possibly David Walter could help draft the paragraph.