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10 CFR PART 35 DIRECT FINAL RULE - MINOR AMENDMENTS: EXTENDING EXPIRATION DATE FOR SUBPART J (STP-04- 070)

The United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is amending its regulations governing the medical use of byproduct material to extend the expiration date for training and experience requirements that will be superseded (Subpart J) for one year, from October 24, 2004 to October 24, 2005. The rulemaking is necessary to allow sufficient time for implementation of the forthcoming final rule that amends the training and experience requirements, including new requirements for recognition of specialty board certifications.

On September 16, 2004, the NRC published the amendment to 10 CFR Part 35 entitled, "Medical Use of Byproduct Material Minor Amendments: Extending Expiration Date for Subpart J" in the Federal Register. This regulation is available on the NRC Rulemaking Forum Web Site at: http://ruleforum.llnl.gov/cgi-bin/rulelist?type=final.

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