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**IMPLEMENTATION OF SECURITY REQUIREMENTS FOR PORTABLE GAUGES  
CONTAINING BYPRODUCT MATERIAL & ISSUANCE OF REVISED PROGRAM  
GUIDANCE (NUREG-1556 Vol. 1, Rev. 1) (STP-05-052)**

On January 12, 2005, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) issued an amendment to Title 10 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 30 governing the use of byproduct material in specifically licensed portable gauges. The final rule requires a portable gauge licensee to use a minimum of two independent physical controls that form tangible barriers to secure portable gauges from unauthorized removal whenever the portable gauges are not under the control and constant surveillance of the licensee. As stated in the *Federal Register* (70 FR 2001, dated January 12, 2005), this amendment to 10 CFR Part 30 will become effective July 11, 2005.

Additionally, NRC has developed new program guidance to assist licensees in implementing this new security rule. The new guidance will be issued as supplemental pages (errata sheets) to NUREG 1556 Volume 1, Revision 1, Consolidated Guidance About Materials Licenses; Program-Specific Guidance About Portable Gauge Licenses, dated November 2001. Copies of the errata sheets are enclosed. NUREG-1556, Volume 1, Revision 1 will also be available on the NRC web site at: [http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/NUREG/SR1556/V1\\_REV1/index.html](http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/NUREG/SR1556/V1_REV1/index.html).

This letter is intended to bring the rule implementation schedule and revised guidance to your attention. If you have questions regarding this notice, please contact the individual listed below.

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