

**Quick Look Report – IAEA Expert Mission - Republic of Georgia  
September 2007**

**Travel Dates:** September 23-29, 2007

**Location:** Vienna, Austria

**Organization:** International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Mission (Project RER/9/094 01), Upgrading National Capabilities in Controlling Public Exposures. IAEA Expert Mission Meeting to discuss legislation and regulatory framework for general licensing, decommissioning with specific interest in research reactors.

**Meeting Place:** IAEA, Vienna International Center, Vienna, Austria

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**Desired Outcome:** Provide information on United States (US) law, regulations and guidance on licensing and research reactor decommissioning.

**Results Achieved:** Presentations and recommendations were well received by the Georgian representatives. A basis for continued development of law and regulations was provided for the Georgians. Recommendations were formulated using IAEA guidance documents for consideration by the Georgians.

**Summary of Trip:** IAEA Mission Project RER/9/094 01 to Georgia included experts from IAEA and the US. Meetings were held to discuss the legislation and regulatory framework for general licensing and decommissioning. US law, regulations, and guidance pertaining to decommissioning were discussed with Georgia Ministry of the Environment, Nuclear and Radiation Service for their consideration as they are being developed in Georgia. Discussions lead to IAEA team providing recommendations for the Georgians to consider for revising their draft law and for developing regulations for decommissioning.

**Next Steps:** The Georgians stated that they will be requesting additional meetings to review draft legislation and regulations on decommissioning, waste management and transportation. Future steps will be determined by IAEA and Georgian Ministry of the Environment.

**Policy Issues:** The meetings did not involve policy issues and the content of this trip report is not likely to be of interest to the Commission. This is the only trip report to be issued for this meeting.

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