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Enhanced Weapons -- Section 161A authority				
Abstract				
The proposed rule would address the voluntary application for enhanced weapons authority, preemption authority, and the mandatory firearms background checks under Section 161A of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, for fuel cycle facilities.				
Justification				
This rule scored 36 points (15,6,10,5) because of the following reasons:				
A. Significant contributor toward one or more goals (security strategies 1).				
B. Moderate contributor toward one strategy (regulatory effectiveness strategies 2).				
C. Significant contributor toward one or more considerations or the Commission has provided specific direction and priority/schedule on the rulemaking. Rule supported by the Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response as a planned follow-on to the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulations enhanced weapons rulemaking.				
Start Dates	Reg Basis Completed	PR Sent to Comm/EDO	FR Sent to Comm/EDO	Publication Date
1/1/12	11/30/16	03/01/18	07/02/19	01/30/20