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Items Containing Byproduct Material Incidental to Production (formerly Polymer (Polycarbonate or Polyester) Track Etched (PCTE) Membranes) (Rev. 2)				
Abstract				
This rule would amend requirements for track-etched membranes that have been irradiated with mixed fission products as part of the membrane production process. The proposed rule would also accommodate the licensing and distribution of other irradiated products (e.g. gemstones) without the need for a specific exemption for each distributor.				
Justification				
The rule scores 17 points (6, 4, 3, 4) because of the following reasons: A) Less substantial or indirect contributor toward one goal (safety strategy 6); B) Moderate contributor toward one strategy (regulatory effectiveness strategy 2); C) Moderate contributor toward one or more strategy or the Commission has provided specific direction with no priority/schedule on the rulemaking. Commission has approved development of a regulatory basis to support the rule; and D) Significant contributor toward one or more considerations. Addresses PRM-30-65. There is interest in this rule in three States where the petitioner has operations. There is substantial interest by the petitioner, whose operations in Texas are shut down, pending resolution of the regulatory change and submittal of the license amendment.				
Start Dates	Reg Basis Completed	PR Sent to Comm/EDO	FR Sent to Comm/EDO	Publication Date
08/13/2012	12/01/2016	12/01/2017	06/01/2019	12/01/2019