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PUBLICATION OF NUREG-1556, VOLUME 21, REVISION 1, "CONSOLIDATED GUIDANCE ABOUT MATERIALS LICENSES: PROGRAM-SPECIFIC GUIDANCE ABOUT POSSESSION LICENSES FOR PRODUCTION OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL USING AN ACCELERATOR" (STC-18-036)

**Purpose:** To inform the Agreement States, as well as States with pending Agreement State applications, that the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS) published NUREG-1556, Volume 21, Revision 1, "Consolidated Guidance About Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance About Possession Licenses for Production of Radioactive Material Using an Accelerator – Final Report" in May 2018.

**Background:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is revising the licensing guidance in the NUREG-1556 series. The NRC originally published NUREG-1556, Volume 21 in October 2007. This document is intended for use by applicants, licensees, and NRC staff, and is also available to the Agreement States.

**Discussion:** NUREG-1556, Volume 21, Revision 1, was updated by a working group made up of NRC and Agreement State representatives, to include safety culture, protection of sensitive information, and changes in regulatory policies and practices. The volume was also reviewed by a steering committee made up of NRC management and an Agreement State manager. After the steering committee review, the NRC regional offices and NRC legal staff reviewed the document and then NMSS, Division of Materials Safety, Security, State, and Tribal Programs management approved the volume for publication.

Revision 1 of Volume 21 can be found on the NRC's public Web site at:

<http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/nuregs/staff/sr1556/>

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