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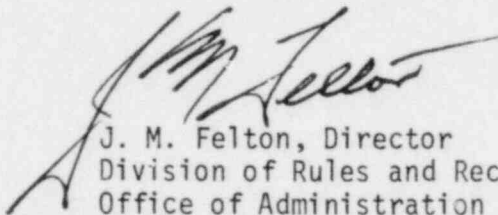
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Steve Scott, Chief
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FROM: J. M. Felton, Director
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SUBJECT: TRANSMITTAL OF QUARTERLY PROPOSED RULE REPORT

Enclosed for transmittal to the Public Document Room is the Quarterly Report on Proposed Rules as of April 30, 1980. This report has been prepared in order to provide the public with information regarding NRC's rulemaking activities. A notice will be published in the Federal Register soon announcing its availability in the Public Document Room for inspection and copying.


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STATUS OF PROPOSED RULES - APRIL 30, 1980

<u>10 CFR Part</u>	<u>Federal Register Citation</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Action</u>
30, 31 32	36 FR 6015 4/1/71	<u>Exemption of Static Elimina- tors.</u> To exempt from licensing requirements tritium, krypton- 85, or polonium-210 in static elimination devices and ion generating tubes manufactured, imported, or transferred in accordance with a specific license issued by the Commission which authorizes transfer of such devices or tubes to persons exempted under the proposed new exemption or equivalent regu- lations of an Agreement State.	11 letters of comment were received, four of which raised significant questions concern- ing license fees, reporting requirements, and specific licenses for incorporation of devices into products for commercial distribution. Task placed in hold in 1975 pending review to determine whether cost of completing rule change is warranted. Task Leader: J. Henry, SD.
50	36 FR 22851 12/1/71	<u>Accident Assumptions in Environmental Reports.</u> To add an annex to Part 50, Appendix D, specifying cer- tain standardized accident assumptions to be used in Environmental Reports and Detailed Statement required in connection with power reactor licenses. (Note:	16 comments received. Recommended Statement of Interim Policy on "Accident Considerations under NEPA" transmitted to Commission in SECY-80-131, dated March 11, 1980. Commission, on May 15, 1980, approved a revised Statement for publi- cation in the Federal Register.

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50 con't		Appendix D was revoked in 1974 when Part 51 was issued.)	This action withdraws the proposed Annex to Appendix D of Part 50 and suspends the rule-making. • Task Leader: William Kreger, NRR.
50	39 FR 26293 7/18/74	<u>General Design Criteria for Fuel Reprocessing Plants.</u> To add an Appendix "P" to establish minimum requirements for the principal safety-related design criteria for fuel reprocessing plants.	11 comments received. Reprocessing indefinitely deferred. Task Leader: C. W. Nilsen, SD.
20	39 FR 32921 9/12/74	<u>Transuranic Waste Disposal.</u> To prohibit the disposal of transuranium elements by burial in soil.	To be resolved as part of development of 10 CFR Part 61. Task Leader: P. Lohaus, NMSS.
150	39 FR 32922 9/12/74	<u>Transuranic Waste Disposal.</u> To reassert the Commission's authority in Agreement States over the disposal of transuranium elements by burial in soil.	To be resolved as part of development of 10 CFR Part 61. Task Leader: P. Lohaus, NMSS.

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19, 20	40 FR 799 1/3/75	<u>Lower Radiation Exposure Levels for Fertile Women.</u> To incorporate the intent of the recommendation of the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements in Report No. 39 that the radiation exposure to an embryo or fetus be minimized;	29 comments received. Secy-75-535A sent to Commission 3/25/76. Task Leader: W. Cool, SD.
71, 73	40 FR 23768 6/2/75	<u>Packaging and Transportation of Special Nuclear Material by Air.</u> Concerning the air transportation of radioactive materials, including packaging.	11 comments received.. Final Environmental Statement issued 12/77. Target Date for Commission Action: 7/80. Task Leader: S. Bernstein, SD.
70	42 FR 13834 3/14/77	<u>Plutonium-238 Powered Cardiac Pacemakers.</u> To establish (1) general licenses for the implantation, routine use, and recovery of plutonium-238 powered cardiac pacemakers that have been proved reliable and safe under investigational programs of actur	Comments by 10/10/79. 19 comment letters were received. The medical community generally supports NRC's allowing the use of Pu-238 pacemakers even though technological advances in nonnuclear pacemakers have greatly reduced the demand for Pu-238 packmakers. Target

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70 con't		use, and (2) the requirements for issuance of specific licenses authorizing distribution of pacemakers for routine use under the general license.	Date for Commission Action: 7/80. Task Leader: D. Smith, SD.
150	42 FR 13837 3/14/77	<u>Plutonium-238 Powered Cardiac Pacemakers.</u> To make the Commission the sole agency regulating the routine use under general license of plutonium-238 powered cardiac pacemakers and the distribution under specific license of pacemakers used under such general license.	Comments by 10/10/79. 1 comment received. Target Date for Commission Action: 7/80. Task Leader: D. Smith, SD.
11, 50 70	42 FR 14880 3/17/77	<u>Authority for Access to or Control of Special Nuclear Material.</u> To require certain individuals involved in the operation of licensed nuclear power reactors and fuel reprocessing plants; in the licensed use, processing, or storage of certain quantities of special nuclear materials; and in the	Comments by 5/16/77. 102 comments received. A staff paper currently being prepared will address the alternative of implementing the proposed rule only for fuel cycle facilities that process strategic special nuclear material. Other action by SD depends upon the result of two technical

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11, 50 70 con't		transportation, by the private sector, of certain quantities of special nuclear material to receive authorization from the Commission for access to or control over special nuclear material.	assistance contracts that may provide an alternative to a clearance program for reactor personnel. Task Leader: J. Montgomery, SD.
2	42 FR 37406 7/21/77	<u>Burden of Proof in Enforcement Proceedings.</u> To provide generally that the proponent of an order in an enforcement action has the burden of proof.	Comments by 9/6/77. 13 comments received. Final rule sent to Commission 4/15/80. Task Leader: G. Cunningham, ELD.
30, 70	43 FR 44547 9/28/78	<u>Irretrievable Well-Logging Sources.</u> To establish requirements to be accomplished in the event of an irretrievable well-logging source (any sealed source containing licensed material which is pulled off or not connected to the wireline downwell, and for which all reasonable effort at recovery,	Comments by 11/27/78. 10 comments received. Commenters are generally in agreement with the proposed regulation. Target Date for Commission Action: 12/80. Task Leader: M. Wangler, SD

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30, 70 con't		as determined by the Commission, has been expended).	
72	43 FR 46309 10/6/78	<u>Storage of Spent Fuel.</u> To add a new part which specifies procedures and requirements for issuance of licenses to store spent fuel in an independent spent fuel storage installation.	Comments by 1/4/79. 73 comment letters received, the majority supporting the proposed rule. Target Date for Commission Action: 6/80. Final Rule. Task Leader: R. E. J. Stanford, SD.
20	43 FR 56677 12/4/78	<u>Burial of Small Quantities of Radionuclides.</u> To require NRC licensees to obtain Commission approval prior to burial of small quantities of radionuclides.	Comments by 2/2/79. 39 comments received, evenly divided for and against. Final rule in preparation. Target date for Commission paper on Final Rule: 8/1/80. Task Leader: J. W. Hickey, SD.
140	44 FR 1751 1/8/79	<u>Indemnification of Spent Reactor Fuel.</u> To extend Government indemnity to spent reactor fuel stored at a reactor site different than the one where it was generated, in two specific situations.	Comments by 2/7/79. 12 comments received. Final Rule in preparation. Task Leader: I. Dinitz, NRR

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19, 20	44 FR 10388 2/20/79	<u>Changes in Radiation Dose- Limiting Standards.</u> To eliminate the accumulated dose averaging formula, 5(N-18), and the associated FORM NRC-4 Exposure History, and impose annual dose-limiting standards while retaining quarterly standards.	Comments by 4/23/79. 83 comments received. Effective rule will not be approved until after joint EPA/OSHA/NRC hearing on Federal guidance for occupational radiation protection, to be held no earlier than Jan. 1981. Task Leader: W. S. Cool, SD.
2	44 FR 12428 3/7/79	<u>Ex Parte Communications, and Separation of Adjudicatory and Non-adjudicatory Functions.</u> To amend the rules dealing with ex-parte communications and the separation of adjudicatory and non-adjudicatory functions so that those rules will be in accord with the Government in the Sunshine Act, Pub. L. 94-409.	Comments by 4/23/79. 1 comment received. OGC paper, recommending Final Rules, sent to Commission 10/15/79. Task Leader: H. Shulman, OGC.

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140	44 FR 20709 4/6/79	<u>Financial Protection Require- ments and Indemnity Agreements; Miscellaneous Amendments.</u> To amend regulations relating to the financial protection and indemnity required of licensees; and to implement legislation that modified and extended for ten years (to August 1, 1987) the present Price-Anderson legislation.	Comments by 6/5/79. 2 comments received. Task Leader: I. Dinitz, NRR.
35	44 FR 21203 4/9/79	<u>Coordination of Human Uses of Byproduct Material.</u> To make it a requirement to appoint a radiation safety committee that will focus on radiation safety.	Comments by 6/8/79. 63 comments received. Approximately one-third favored the rule, one-third opposed it, and one-third commented without indicating preference. Final rule in preparation.
30, 35	44 FR 32394 6/6/79	<u>Testing of Radioisotope Generators.</u> To require licensees to test radio- pharmaceuticals for a contaminant called molybdenum-99.	Comments by 8/7/79. 3 comments received favoring the rule. There were no comments opposing the rule. Task Leader: E. Podolak, SD.

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40, 50, 70, 75, 150, 170.	44 FR 41468 7/17/79	<u>Safeguards; Implementation of US/IAEA Agreement.</u> To enable the United States to implement the US/IAEA Safeguards Agreement, with respect to licensed activities, as soon as the Agreement enters into force.	Comments by 8/31/79. 9 comments received. This task involves coordination with other government agencies (DOS, DOE, ACDA) and various NRC offices. Task Leaders: L. C. Solem, SD; P. Morrow, NMSS; W. Brown, SD.
71	44 FR 48234 8/17/79	<u>Transportation of Radioactive Material - Compatibility with IAEA Regulations.</u> To revise the regulations for the transportation of radioactive material to make them compatible with those of the IAEA and thus with those of most major nuclear nations of the world.	Comments by 10/16/79; extended to 12/17/79. 28 comments received. 15 were supportive of the proposal, 17 made suggestions regarding the technical content of the requirements, and 5 were specifically concerned about consistency of terminology and requirements among NRC, DOT, and the IAEA. Target Date for Commission Action: 12/80. Task Leader: D. Hopkins, SD.

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30, 40, 70, 150, 170	44 FR 50015 8/24/79	<u>Criteria Relating to Uranium Mill Tailings and Construction of Major Plants.</u> To conform to the requirements of the Uranium Mill Tailings Radiation Control Act of 1978 and to the conclusions set forth in the final GEIS on uranium milling.	Comments by 10/24/79. About 100 comment letters received. with about 1,500 comments, most of which were critical. Target Date for Commission Action: 10/80 for publication of final rule in Federal Register.
50, 70	44 FR 54308 9/19/79	<u>Production and Utilization Facility Licenses; Emergency Planning.</u> To require that all production and utilization facility licensees, as a condition of their license, submit emergency plans for NRC review and approval and maintain the emergency plans up to date.	Comments by 11/19/79. 3 comments received. Proposed final rule on emergency planning, SECY-80-275, sent to Commission 6/3/80. Task Leader: M. T. Jamgochian, SD.
73	44 FR 60743 10/22/79	<u>Reporting of Safeguards Events.</u> To require that licensees report events which significantly threaten or lessen the effectiveness of their safeguards system.	Comments by 12/21/79. 11 comments received. Task Leader: T. S. Michaels, SD.

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32	44 FR 68853 11/30/79	<u>Specific Domestic Licenses To Manufacture or Transfer Certain Items Containing Byproduct Material.</u> To adopt new requirements for labeling the external surfaces of gas and aerosol detectors including the point-of-sale packaging for these detectors (proposal covers smoke detectors).	Comments by 1/14/80. 28 comments received. Final rule, to be effective 1/1/81, signed by EDO on 5/27/80, and sent to Federal Register. Task Leader: D. Smith, SD.
2, 19, 20, 21, 30, 40, 51, 60, 70	44 FR 70408 12/6/79	<u>Disposal of High-Level Radioactive Wastes in Geologic Repositories; Proposed Licensing Procedures.</u> To set forth requirements for licensing the receipt and disposal of high-level radioactive wastes (HLW) in geologic repositories.	Comment period closed 3/3/80. 30 comments received. Comments under review. Preliminary analysis does not indicate that any substantial change in regulation is warranted. Task Leader: F. A. Costanzi, SD.
50	44 FR 75167 12/19/79	<u>Emergency Planning.</u> To provide an interim upgrade of NRC emergency planning regulations.	Comments by 2/19/80. 199 comments received. Proposed final rule, SECY-80-275, sent to Commission 6/3/80.

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50 con't			Task Leader: M. Jamgochian, SD.
70, 73	45 FR 1625 1/8/80	<u>Transient Shipments of Strategic Special Nuclear Material.</u> To withdraw the existing exemption from licensing requirements for carriers who possess formula quantities of strategic special nuclear material in the course of a transient shipment, and require them to be responsi- ble for assuring that the strategic special nuclear ma- terial is protected against theft and radiological sabotage.	Comments by 3/10/80. 5 comments received. Task Leader: C. K. Nulsen, NMSS.
50	45 FR 2330 1/11/80	<u>Domestic Licensing of Produc- tion and Utilization Facili- ties; Primary Reactor Con- tainment Leakage Testing for Water-Cooled Power Reactors.</u> To relax requirements for leak testing of containment building air locks that are in frequent use.	Comments by 2/25/80. 3 comment letters received. One commenter requested clarifica- tion; one requested greater flexibility; and one requested less flexibility. Final rule planned for EDO issue in June 1980.

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50 con't			Task Leader: G. Arndt, OSD.
73	45 FR 2657 1/14/80 45 FR 11503 2/21/80	<u>Physical Protection of Intran- sit Special Nuclear Material of Moderate Strategic Significance.</u> To allow the NRC to delay the shipments of certain quantities of Special Nuclear Material (SNM) of moderate strategic signifi- cance in order to prevent concurrent shipment of two or more quantities of SNM that, in total, would exceed a formula amount.	Comments by 2/13/80, extended to 3/24/80. 1 comment received. Amendments republished 2/21/80 to explain how NRC would implement scheduling control. Additional amendments drafted to require early theft-detection capabilities of licensees who transport Category II SNM. Task Leader: C. K. Nulsen, NMSS.
2	45 FR 3594 1/11/80	<u>Changes in Rules of Practice Governing Discipline in Ad- judicatory Proceedings.</u> To (1) Remove any implication that an attorney may be generally suspended from practice before NRC; (2) clarify and bolster the authority of the presiding officer, Appeal Board, and Commission to suspend any party from participation in a pro- ceeding where, as a result of	7 comments received. Task Leader: B. Berson, ELD.

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2 con't		the party's conduct in that proceeding, this is necessary for the orderly conduct of the proceeding; (3) specify special interlocutory appeal procedures governing suspensions from participation; and (4) clarify who may appear before NRC in a representative capacity.	
2	45 FR 5308 1/23/80	<u>Rules of Practice.</u> To permit NRC Atomic Safety and Licensing Boards to use special assistants to be drawn from the membership of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel.	Comments by 3/24/80. 2 comments received. Final rules drafted, now in review. Target Date for Commission Action: 6/15/80. Task Leaders: M. Chopko, OGC B. Berson, ELD.

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2, 30, 45 FR 13739
40, 50, 3/3/80
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Environmental Protection Regu-
lations for Domestic Licensing
and Related Regulatory Functions
and Related Conforming Amend-
ments. To revise Part 51 to
implement Section 102 (2) of the
National Environmental Policy
Act of 1969, as amended (NEPA),
in a manner which is consistent
with the NRC's domestic
licensing and related regulatory
authority and which reflect the
Commission Policy to take
account voluntarily, subject to
certain conditions, of the regu-
lations of the Council on Environ-
mental Quality implementing the pro-
cedural provisions of NEPA.

Comments by May 2, 1980.
20 comments received.

Task Leader: J. Mapes, ELD.

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40	45 FR 14589 3/6/80	<u>Licensing of Source Material; Deletion of Source Material Medicinal From the General License for Small Quantities of Source Materials.</u> To delete the provision which authorizes the use of source material in the form of medicinals or drugs.	Comments by May 6, 1980. 8 comments received. Task Leader: D. A. Bozik, OSD.
19, 30 40, 50, 70, 71, 150	45 FR 15184 3/10/80	<u>Protection of Employees who Provide Information.</u> To amend NRC regulations in regard to protection for employees of licensees, contractors, etc., who provide information to the Commission.	Comments by May 9, 1980. As of 5/19/80, 29 comments had been received. None of the comments fully supports the rule. Task Leader: W. E. Campbell, Jr., OSD.
73	45 FR 15937 3/12/80	<u>Physical Protection of Plants and Materials; Access Controls to Nuclear Powerplant Vital Area.</u> To define more clearly the criteria for personnel access controls for nuclear power plant vital areas.	Comments by May 12, 1980. 13 comments received. Task Leader: L. S. Michaels, OSD.

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70	45 FR 15936 3/12/80	<u>Domestic Licensing of Special Nuclear Material; General License Requirements For Any Person Who Possesses Irradiated Special Nuclear Material (SNM) In-Transit.</u> To issue a general license to any person who possesses irradiated reactor fuel in-transit.	Comments by May 12, 1980. 3 comments received. Task Leader: W. B. Brown, OSD.
19	45 FR 19564 3/26/80	<u>Informal Conference During Inspection.</u> To facilitate the exchange of information during and after inspection of licensed facilities and to expedite the resolution of inspection findings.	Comments by May 12, 1980. 54 comment letters have been received. Task Leader: A. K. Rocklein, SD.
2, 50	45 FR 20491 3/28/80	<u>No Significant Hazards Consideration.</u> To specify criteria for determining whether a proposed amendment to an operating license or construction permit for a commercial or large production or utilization facility involves no significant hazards consideration.	Comments by May 27, 1980. 4 comments have been received. Task Leader: W. E. Campbell, Jr. SD.

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170	45 FR 20899 3/31/80	<u>Licenses and Other Regulatory Services Under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954; Revision of Materials Fee Schedules.</u> To add a new fee Category 11.F to Section 170.31 on schedule of fees for materials licenses and other regulatory services.	Comments by 4/30/80. 5 comments received. Task Leader: W. O. Miller, Jr. ADM.
51	45 FR 24168 4/9/80	<u>Licensing and Regulatory Policy and Procedures for Environmental Protection; Alternative Site Reviews.</u> To provide procedures and performance criteria for the review of alternative sites for nuclear power plants under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA).	Comments by June 9, 1980. 2 comments received. Task Leader: C. Roberts, SD.
20	45 FR 26072 4/17/80	<u>Environmental Radiation Protection Standards for Nuclear Power Operation.</u> To incorporate the existing requirement for certain uranium fuel cycle licensees to comply with the Environmental Protection Agency's	Comments by June 16, 1980. Task Leader: J. W. Hickey, SD.

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100	43 FR 2729 1/19/78	<u>Seismic and Geologic Siting Criteria.</u> Regarding the planned reassessment of current seismic criteria.	Comments by 3/1/78. 18 comments received. Further consideration postponed pending revision of several areas of Part 100. Action on this task will be delayed for at least three years. Task Leader: L. Beratan, SD.
50	43 FR 57157 12/6/78	<u>Acceptance Criteria for Emergency Core Cooling Systems.</u> To change certain technical and nontechnical requirements within the existing emergency core cooling system rule.	Comments by 3/5/79. 29 comment letters received. Task Leader: J. A. Norberg, SD.
30, 40, 50, 70	43 FR 10370 3/12/78	<u>Decommissioning Criteria for Nuclear Facilities.</u> To provide more specific guidance on decommissioning	Comments on decommissioning program by 7/15/78. 69 comments received. State Workshops held 9/78 and 9/79.

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30, 40 50, 70 con't		criteria for production and utilization facility licensees and byproduct, source, and special nuclear material licensees.	Target Dates for Commission Action: Draft GEIS, 1/81; Policy Statement, 9/81; Proposed Rules, 1/82. Task Leader: G. D. Calkins, SD.
34	43 FR 12718 3/27/78	<u>Design of Radiographic Exposure Devices.</u> To reduce radiation overexposures caused by equipment failure.	Comments by 3/26/78. 33 comments received. Commenters generally favored the promulgation of some type of equipment standard. Most users favored the proposal with little reservation. However, no consensus among manufacturers was evident on how extensively (i.e., number of features) the devices should be regulated. Target Date for Commission Action: 6/81. Task Leader: M. Wangler, SD.

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50	43 FR 22373 5/25/78	<u>Financial Qualifications.</u> Regarding the requirement for demonstrating financial qualifications to obtain Part 50 licenses for production and utilization facilities	Comments by 7/24/78. 7 comments received. Staff recommended that Commission consider eliminating second request for comments and instead act on staff's recommendations in proposed rule (SECY-79-299) which would substantially reduce scope of financial qualifications review. Task Leader: J. Peterson, NRR/AIG.
2, 50	44 FR 33833 6/13/79	<u>Request for Public Comment on Licensing procedures.</u> To request the views of the public on the Commission's immediate effectiveness rule (10 CFR 2.764) which provides that a construction permit can be issued on the basis of an initial decision of an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board even though that decision is subject to further review within the Commission.	Comments by 7/6/79. No comments received. Task Leader: P. Crane, OGC.

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44 FR 49811
10/25/78

Management and Disposal of
Low-Level Wastes. To add
a new Part 61 which specifies
a regulatory program for
management of low-level
radioactive wastes.

Comments by 12/26/78. 34
comments received.

Task Leader: R. D. Smith,
NMSS.

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9. 44 FR 22746
4/17/79

"Plain English" Version of Freedom of Information Act Regulations. A suggested revision of the Freedom of Information Act regulations was published for public comment, as an illustration of how regulations could be written in "plain English", as prescribed by Executive Order 12044.

Comments by 6/18/79. 30 comments received.

Action suspended, pending completion of higher priority items.

Task Leader: J. M. Felton, DRR.

50, 51 44 FR 61372
10/25/79

Storage and Disposal of Nuclear Waste. To reassess degree of confidence that radioactive wastes produced by nuclear facilities will be safely disposed of, to determine when any such disposal will be available, and to determine whether such wastes can be safely stored until they are safely disposed of.

First prehearing conf. order issued 2/1/80. Department of Energy's filing received 4/15/80. Filings by other full participants are due June 9, 1980. The Commission has established a Working Group, chaired by the Office of Policy Evaluation, to monitor development of the record.

Task Leaders: L. Slaggie, OGC.
S. Trubatch, OGC.

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50	45 FR 6793 1/30/80	<u>Operational Data Gathering.</u> To require that participation in the Nuclear Plant Reliability Data System (NPRDS) be made mandatory for power reactor licensees.	Comments by 3/3/80. 44 comments received. The staff review of comments could result in modification of the original proposal and reconsideration as to whether NPRDS should be mandatory. Target Date for Commission Action: Mid-1980. Task Leader: M. Medeiros, Jr. SD.
20	45 FR 18023 3/20/80	<u>Standards for Protection Against Radiation, Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.</u> To bring NRC radiation protection standards into accord with developments in radiation protection that have occurred since promulgation of Part 20 in its present form in the late 1950's.	Comments by June 18, 1980. 18 comments received by mid-May. Task Leader: M. A. Parsont, SD.