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#### ABSTRACT

A sampling of NRC Docket Files has been surveyed to identify radionuclides in industrial and medical use under NRC licenses currently without safeguards which might be candidates for safeguards against malevolent misuse. This survey identifies many more radionuclides on the assumption that quantities potentially available equal license limits than were previously identified on the basis of maximum single shipments. Information gleaned on details of the form and use of radionuclides was only fragmentary. Brief discussions of the rationale for this study, of the limitations inherent in this approach and limitations in its execution, and of the results are given. This study was done under the NRC project "Safeguards Analysis for Byproduct Materials and Small Quantities of SNM" (189 No. B6108) in partial fulfilment of milestones 2f and 2c.

#### PURPOSE

The purpose of this study was to identify radionuclides in industrial use under NRC licenses, which might be candidates for safeguarding against malevolent misuse. This study was intended to complement previous identifications (Chester and Chester, 1979; Randolph et al., 1980) based largely a summary of transportation of radionuclides in the U.S. (Simmons et al., 1976). The NRC Docket Files (at the Willste Building, 7915 Eastern Ave., Silver Spring, MD) contain copies of licenses, their justifications and occasionally further commentary. In addition to listing licensed amounts of specific radionuclides, a review of the Docket Files yields some insights into current practices and circumstances of industrial use.

#### METHOD AND SCOPE OF SURVEY

The planning for this Docket File study went as follows: First, based on the input data needs of the methods for estimating potential hazards developed in previous reports (Chester and Chester, 1979; Randolph et al., 1980) a preliminary list of "Desired Characteristics of Radionuclides" (Table 1) was composed. Then by an iterative procedure between NRC (G. Dan Smith, Project Officer at that time) and ORNL a "Questionaire" (Table 2) was derived for use in examining Docket Files.

Ideally a computerized survey of the entire Docket Files would be done using the Teknekron Energy Resource Analysis (TERA) computer system.<sup>\*</sup> However, the system does not yet appear to be sufficiently implemented to make its use feasible with the resources and time available under this contract. Hence, manual inspection of a selected sampling of the licenses was done.

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The size of the entire Docket File ( $\sim$ 10,000 licenses, with an average of perhaps 50-100 pages per license) precluded inspection of all licenses by hand.

Our criterion for selection of licenses to inspect have included:

- a) Closest attention given to by-product licenses which NRC Office
   of Inspection and Enforcement have as Priority 1 (See Appendix A);
- b) Priority 1 SNM licenses;
- c) A sampling of Priority 2 licenses intended to represent radiographic inspection equipment, radiopharmaceutical suppliers, and others chosen essentially at random.

By agreement with the NRC Project Officer (George H. Gardes) our survey excluded licenses issues by the 25 "Agreement States". (See 10 CFR 150 1979). These states are: Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oregon, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Washington. The ERESS Report (1979, p. 44) gives the following examples of potentially large inventories in Agreement States. "General Electric, Pleasanton, CA, with several million curies of byproduct materials; Union Carbide, Tuxedo, NY, 50,000 Ci of irradiated metals, alloys components; Gamma Industries, Houston, Texas, 1000 Ci of Am-241, any form; or Nuclear Sources and Services, Houston, Texas, with 3300 Ci of Am-241, any form; PNWL, Richland, WA can possess 10,000,000 Ci of all nuclides; United Nuclear Industries, Richland, WA, can posess 20,000,000 Ci of all radionuclides." We have not included sample licenses from universities, hospitils, oil-well-logging companies, Department of Defense, or Department of Energy.

#### RESULTS

In this survey 42 licenses (docket files) for 25 companies were examined (Table 3). Of the 77 radionuclides specifically mentioned in these licenses, license limits for 49 nuclides were found to be sufficient to consider them as potentially significant by the criterion that at least one license limit is greater than 7.4 X 10<sup>11</sup> Bq(20 Ci) for beta-gamma emitters or greater than 3.7 X 10<sup>8</sup> Bq (0.01 Ci) for alpha emitters (Table 4).<sup>\*</sup> Several "ground rules" used in compiling this Table are given in its footnotes.

In Table 5 a comparison is given between the radionuclides selected by these criteria and by the similar shipping criteria of 7.4 X 10<sup>11</sup> Bq of gamma emitters or 3.7 X 10<sup>7</sup> Bq of alpha emitters shipped in one year in the U.S. (Simmons et al., 1976) as used previously for first-cut selection of radionuclides (Chester and Chester, 1979; Randolph et al., 1980). Of the 60 nuclides listed, 20 are included by both criteria, 29 are included only by the license data, and 11 are included only by the shipping data. We find no clear correlation between inclusion by either data set and radioactive half-life.

Other information listed in the questionaire and sought for in the docket files was only fragmentary. Inventories of but 8 radionuclides from one company and 2 from another gave, on the (statistically questionable) average, the possession values as about 20% of the license limits. (More comparisons of inventories and license limits would be desirable.) Shipping

The transportation study Simmons et al. (1976) was previously used to obtain a first-cut selection of radionuclides. There shipments are listed in groups with limits of 0.001,3,20, etc. curies. In our previous studies (Chester and Chester, 1979; Randolph et al., 1980) we have used 20 curies as a lower limit for listing beta-gamma emitters and 0.001 curie for alpha emitters, thus allowing for a quality facto. of >10 for alpha particles. Since consideration of 0.001 curie of an alpha emitter seems too inclusive, we here use a 0.01 curie lower limit for consideration of alpha emitters.

records from 4 (or fewer licenses) revealed no cases in which the annual amount of a radionuclide shipped was as great as the possession limit or the maximum single shipment in the U.S. no more than 25% the annual amount shipped in the U.S. The docket files generally contain nothing on transport mode, chemical concentration or specific activity. Physical and chemical form are usually given as "Any". Packaging of radionuclides during storage and/or shipping is merely stated, or more often implied. ... being in compliance with NRC (e.g. 10 CF3, Part 73) and/or DOT regulations. The physical deterrents, access restrictions and accounting procedures are variously described but with distinctly more detail and control for SNM than by-product licenses.

#### DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSIONS

The most important result of this docket file study is that, based on quantity limits in licenses issued, there are many more radionuclides identified as candidates to be considered for safeguards regulations than were identified previously by similar limits of maximum single radionuclide shipments, (see Table 5). The list of candidate radionuclides found here may be questioned on various grounds including the following:

- The sample size of dockets reviewed is small. A larger sample size might increase the number of candidate radionuclides.
- b. The license limits inherently tend to be overestimates of possession values. However, since our meager sampling of radionuclide inventories versus license limits gave the average inventory as about 20% of the license limit, use of licenses limits seems only a modestly conservative approach. (A more intensive study of NRC inspection reports might be useful.) This may be no more conservative than choice

of the maximum in a 5 to 1 range (e.g., 200-1000 curies/shipment) in shipping records.

c. Restriction of our list to radionuclides specifically mentioned in licenses may exclude some important candidates. Blanket licenses (e.g., see 10 CFR 33, 1979) for by-product materials usually are for only small amounts of radionuclides with atomic number 3 to 83 but some blanket licenses. especially SNM licenses, allow great amounts of unspecified by-product nuclides (e.g., Westinghouse Electric license SNM 770 allows 4,000,000 total curies of by-product materials. If this amount were distributed equally among 1000 nuclides, there would be 4,000 curies per nuclide and all should then be included as candidate radionuclides.)

Inclusion of all nuclides listed here in a final appraisal of relative hazards of radionuclides seems in order. Although this could be done by the methods given previously (Randolph et al., 1980), such calculations are beyond the scope of this report.

The vast differences (in terms of quantities of radioactivity, technical safeguards, records, and plant security) that apparently exist between operations conducted under most licenses and those conducted under SNM licenses seem to justify considering such licenses separately.

Partly because of the great diversity of applications of radionuclides, several ways individual plants are run, and detail included in docket files, satisfactory general answers to many of the specific data sought in the questionaire seem unattainable by this approach.

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#### APPENDIX A

#### Priority definitions

The top two priority definitions for the NRC Inspection and Enforcement Division have been summarized as follows:

# PRIORITY I

Initial inspections are made within 1 month after the initial license is received in the Regional Office.

Routine inspections are made at a frequency of:

- . 2 per year for processors and distributors with complex programs, and
- . 1 per year for processors and distributors with relatively simple programs.

#### PRIORITY II

Initial inspections are made within 6 months after the initial license is received in the Regional Office.

Routine inspections are made at a frequency of 1 per year.

In addition there are defined several lower priorities for which less frequent inspections are made, (NRC, 1976).

Our identification of specific licenses within these priority categories has come from the ERESS Report (ERESS, 1979), pp. 48-60.

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Table 1. Desired characteristics of radioisotope shipments, use, and possession

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Examples Items 239Pa, 137Cs, ... Radioisotope 131I 400 shipments of >1-3 Ci Number of shipments by curie 131I 127 shipments of >3-20 Ci size (especially maximum size) 131I 34 shipments of >20-100 Ci 131I 3 shipments of 200 Ci 131I O shipments of >200 Ci (a)  $^{238}$ U as  $U_{3}O_{8}$ (b)  $^{235}$ U as uranyl nitrate, Chemical form of shipments UO2(NO3)2.6H20  $(a) > 90\% U_2 O_8$ Chemical purity/concentration (b) 0.1 molar uranyl nitrate (a) recently separated  $^{235}\text{U}$  with  $_{<1\%}$   $^{238}\text{U},$  <0.001%  $^{234}\text{U},$   $^{232}\text{Th},$  in secular equilibrium with  $^{235}\text{U}$ Isotopic purity (parent, radionuclide and daughters) (b) natural uranium (c) 100% 99Mo on September 26, 1979, to be delivered October 5, 1979 (d) 0.2% <sup>32</sup>p, 99.8% <sup>31</sup>p (other isotopes of same element) (a) loose powder with average particle Physical form 6. diameter 10 microns (b) 10 kg ingots of metallic U (c) liquid in 5 gallon containers (d) gas at 500/in<sup>2</sup> pressure in 1 cu. ft tank (e) random size loose pieces (f) encapsulated (a) 55 gallon drum Shipping container per package (b) standard 10 ton fuel shipment case, Type B, ANSI No. (c) 1000 1b. Pb shielding pig (a) single shipment truck Transport mode (b) rail freight (c) safe and secure transport (d) shipped "piggy back" with safequarded shipment

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# Table 1. Desired characteristics of radioisotope shipments, use, and possession (continued)

	Items	Examples
9.	Present administrative/ accounting practices	<ul> <li>(a) accountable to nuclear materials management safeguards system</li> <li>(b) shippers' commercial accountability only</li> </ul>
10.	Intended use of radioisotope	<ul> <li>(a) nuclear fuel fabrication</li> <li>(b) medical irradiation unit</li> <li>(c) well logging</li> <li>(d) radiography source (30 Curies <sup>192</sup>Ir, <sup>137</sup>Cs)</li> </ul>
11.	Shipping routes	<ul> <li>(a) 500 Ci shipments by truck from</li> <li>Oak Ridge through Nashville to</li> <li>St. Louis (500 miles, less than</li> <li>1 day enroute)</li> </ul>
12.	Periodicity of shipments	<ul><li>(a) normally shipped on first and third Wednesday of each month</li><li>(b) irregular</li></ul>
13.	Current storage procedures	<ul> <li>(a) radiological protection such as shielding</li> <li>(b) physical access such as locked rooms or vaults</li> <li>(c) administrative records such as written trace of radionuclide from receipt to disposal or shipping elsewhere</li> <li>(d) periodic inventories</li> </ul>
14.	Current use procedures	<ul> <li>(a) training of users</li> <li>(b) static radiological source and/or protection such as fixed source in shielded rooms</li> <li>(c) mobile radiobiological source and/or protection <sup>192</sup>Ir teletherapy, source and Pb gloves and aprons</li> <li>(d) administrative restraints to deny unauthorized persons access</li> <li>(e) number of users</li> </ul>

# Table 2. Question Set

1. Name of facility, address and phone number:

2. License Number:

3. Essential information for each isotope (see attached table).

4. Are any of the radioisotopes consumed during use?

5. What are the physical deterrents against loss or theft?

6. How is each radioisotope packaged during storage?

7. How is each radioisotope packaged during shipments?

8. What are the required qualifications for authorized access to each radioisotope?

9. How many persons have access to each radioisotope and for what reasons?

10. What are your administrative and/or accounting procedures for keeping track of each radioisotope?

# TABLE OF ESSENTIAL RADIOISOTOPIC INFORMATION

	Handling	Possession	Inventory (Ci)	Quantity p Shipment (	per (Ci)	Annual Thruput (Ci) Receipts Shipments	Transport	Physical	Chemica1	Chemica1	Specific Activity
Isotope	Activity	Limit (Ci)	Avg. Max.	Avg. N	Max.	Receipts Shipments	Mode	Form	Form	Concentration	(Ci/g)

NRC I&E Priority	Company	Location	License Number
1	Abbott Laboratories *Amersham Corp. Automation Industries, Inc. CIS RAdiopharmacenticals, Inc. Mallinckrodt, Inc. *Medi Physics, Inc. *Medi Physics, Inc. *Medi Physics, Inc. *Medi Physics, Inc. *Mew England Nuclear Corp. New England Nuclear Corp. New England Nuclear Corp. New England Nuclear Corp. Pacific Radiopharmacy, Ltd. Permagrain Products, Inc. *Picker Corp. E.R. Squibb and Sons, Inc. Technical Operations *U.S. RadiCorp. Monsanto Research Crop. *Westinghouse Electric Corp. Westinghouse Electric Corp.	Chicago, IL Arlington Heights, IL. Phoenixville, PA. Bedford, MA St. Louis, MO South Plainfield, N.J. St. Paul, MN Boston, MA Boston, MA Boston, MA Honolulu, HA. Media. PA Cleveland, OH New Frunswick, N.J. Lawrenceville & Three Bridges, N.J. Bur'ington, MA Bloomsburg, PA Dayton, OH Pittsburgh, PA Pittsburgh, PA	12-00621-03 12-12836-01 37-00611-09 20-13695-01 24-04206-01 29-15360-01 22-00057-06 20-00320-09 20-00320-13 20-11888-01 53-16991-01MD 37-17860-01 34-07225-09 29-00139-02 29-00139-02 29-00139-02 29-00139-02 29-00139-02 20-00277-03 37-00030-08 SNM-567 SNM-770 SNM-1460
2	Alaska Industrial X-ray Allis Chalmers *Combustion Engineering, Inc. Industrial Gamma Inspection Newport Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co. Teledyne Isotopes, Inc.	Anchorage, AK York, PA Tulsa, OK Blackwell, OK Newport News, VA Westwood, N.J.	50-16084-01 37-16382-01 35-02325-02 35-16760-01 45-09428-02 29-00055-14
3	<pre>*Amersham Corp. Amersham Corp. Amersham Corp. Amersham Corp. *Combustion Engineering, Inc. Arnold Greene Testing Labs, Inc. *Medi Physics, Inc. Bill Miller X-ray, Inc. *Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing *Picker Corp. *Picker Corp. *U.S. Radium Corp. *U.S. Radium Corp. *Westinghouse Electric Corp.</pre>	Arlington Heights, IL Arlington Heights, IL Arlington Heights, IL Arlington Heights, IL Tulsa, OK Natick, MA Arlington Heights, IL Tulsa, OK St. Paul, MN Cleveland, OH Cleveland, OH Bloomsburg, PA Bloomsburg, PA Pittsburgh, PA	12-12836-02 12-12836-03MD 12-12836-04G 2-12836-05MD 35-02325-02 20-01074-02 12-13813-01 35-15112-01 22-00057-07 34-07225-04 34-07225-15 37-00030-09G 37-00497-09

# Table 3. Companies and license numbers examined

\*Multiple licenses for this company were examined.

Annual U.S. Shipments		censes	SNM Lic	License	Byproduct	icenses		
Max. Single Shipment	Total	Max. Single Licenses	Total	Max. Single Licenses	Total	Max. Single Licenses	Total	Nuclides
4,400	221,000	0	0	100,000	223,204	100,000	223,204	<sup>3</sup> Н
3	237	0	0	200	324	200	324	14C
20	1,885	0	0	300	411	300	411	32 <b>p</b>
3	23	0	0	1,000	1,100	1,000	1,110	35 <b>S</b>
3	53	0	0	100	112	100	112	<sup>51</sup> Cr
200	281	0	0	100	100	100	100	<sup>55</sup> Fe
32,000	2,520,000	250	251	2,105,000	2,368,000	2,105,000	2,368,000	<sup>60</sup> Co <sup>e</sup>
3	5.2	0	0	500	500	500	500	<sup>63</sup> Ni
3	134	0	0	200	313	200	313	<sup>75</sup> Se
28,000	28,000	0	0	10,000	11,555	10,000	11,555	<sup>85</sup> Kr
200	150	250	250	3,000	3,519	3,000	3,769	<sup>90</sup> Sr
200	406,000	0	0	10,000	17,010	10,000	17,010	<sup>99</sup> Mo
3,300	170,000	0	0	10,000	15,000	10,000	15,000	<sup>99m</sup> Tc
3	4.3	0	0	0	0	0	0	<sup>99</sup> Tc

Table 4A. A sampling of industrial license limits a, b (curies) for byproduct and SMN materials. Beta-gamma emitters with license limits  $\geq 20$  Ci for licenses examined. Nuclides listed by atomic number.

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	A11 L	icenses	Byproduct	t License	SNM Li	censes	Annual U.S.	Shipments
Nuclides	Total	Max. Single Licenses	Total	Max. Single Licenses	Total	Max. Single Licenses	Total	Max. Single Shipment
<sup>113<sup>m</sup>In</sup>	50	50	50	50	0	0	N/A	N/A
<sup>113</sup> Sn	51.1	50	51.1	50	0	0	17	3
<sup>125</sup> Sn	25	25	25	25	0	0	N/A	N/A
<sup>124</sup> Sb	50.2	50	0.2	0.2	50	50	N/A	N/A
125I	88	50	88	50	0	0	374	20
131I	801	500	801	500	0.2	0.2	9,106	200
<sup>131<sup>m</sup></sup> Xe	20	20	20	20	0	0	N/A	N/A
<sup>133<sup>m</sup></sup> Xe	25	25	25	25	0	0	N/A	N/A
<sup>133</sup> Xe	1,274	1,000	1,274	1,000	0	0	29,600	1,000
<sup>137</sup> Cs	70,044	40,000	69,844	40,000	200	200	32,000	15,000
147 <b>Pm</b>	20,070	15,000	20,000	15,000	70	70	13,600	3,200
170 <b>Tm</b>	5,035	5,000	5,035	5,000	0	0	54	200
169YD	100	100	100	100	0	U	307	20
<sup>182</sup> Ta	200	200	200	200	υ	0	3.6	3

# Table 4A. A sampling of industrial license limits a, b (curies) for byproduct and SMN materials. Beta-gamma emitters with license limits $\geq 20$ Ci for 1 or more licenses examined. Nuclides listed by atomic number (Continued)

	All Licenses		Byproduct License		SNM Li	censes	Annual U.S. Shipments $^{\circ}$		
Nuclides		Max. Single icenses	Total	Max. Single Licenses	Total	Max. Single Licenses	Total	Max. Single Shipment <sup>d</sup>	
<sup>183</sup> Ta	200	25	25	25	0	0	N/A	N/A	
<sup>192</sup> Ir <sup>e</sup>	62,550	25,000	62,550	25,000	0	U	8,300,000	80,000	
<sup>198</sup> Au	200.2	200	200.2	200	0	0	2,446	20	
204 <b>T1</b>	50	50	0	0	50	50	2.6	3	
<sup>210</sup> Bi	250	200	200	200	50	50	N/A	N/A	
227Acf	25+	25	25+	25	0	U	N/A	N/A	
242Cmf	600+	600	0.02	0.02	600	600	1.8	3	

# Table 4A. A sampling of industrial license limits a, b (curies) for byproduct and SMN materials. Beta-gamma emitters with license limits $\geq 20$ Ci for l or more licenses examined. Nuclides listed by atomic number

Footnotes for Table 4A

- a. For broad scope licenses we have assumed 0 curies of each nuclide unless a specific value is given in the license.
- b. For cases where a license states X curies/sealed source we have assumed there are 5 such sources and hence an effective license limit of 5X curies.
- c. U.S. Transportation data for March 1974 through February 1975 are from Simmons et al. (1976).
- d. Where maximum shipment size has been listed as >1,000 Ci, we have assumed the maximum shipment size to be given by

S = 2 (Total curies) - (1,000 X No. shipments of 200 - 1,000 Ci) No. shipments > 1,000 Ci

Where maximum shipment size has been listed as A to B Ci, we have assumed the larger limit.

- e. Recent NRC licenses permit <sup>60</sup>Co and <sup>192</sup>Ir sealed sources to exceed nominal source strengths by 10% and 20% respectively. We have used the larger values as effective license limits.
- f. Although these nuclides are themselves beta particle emitters, their greatest radiobiological effect is probably from alpha particles emitted by their short-lived daughter nuclei.

	A11 L	icenses	Byprod	uct Licenses	SNM	Licenses	Annual U.S. Shipments $^{\sigma}$	
Nuclide	Total	Max. Single License	Total	Max. Single License	Total	Max. Single License	Total	Max. Single Shipment
208 <b>Po</b>	1.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0	0	N/A	N/A
210po	7,016	4,000	4,016	4,000	3,000	3,000	1,756	1,000
227Ac <sup>e</sup>	25+	25	25+	25	0	0	N/A	N/A
<sup>228</sup> Th	50	50	50	50	0	0	?	0.001
2 3 4 U	13.1	7.7	0	0	13.1	7.7	N/A	N/A
2 3 5U	1.09	0.79	0	0	1.09	0.79	600	3
238U	12.7	7.3	1.4	1.4	11.3	7.3	11,140	3
<sup>237</sup> Np	0.12	0.1	0.02	0.02	0.1	0.1	0.03	3
238 <b>pu</b>	147,009	140,000	8.7	8.7	147,000	140,000	N/A	N/A
239 <b>pu</b>	25,203	24,000	2.0	2.0	25,000	24,000	18,140	200
240 <b>Pu</b>	4,720	4,500	0	0	4,720	4,500	13	20
241Am	7,854	6,000	1,859	1,000	6,000	6,000	29,507	1,000
242 <b>Cm</b> @	600+	600	0.02	0.02	600	600	1.8	3
243Cm	10	10	0	0	10	10	N/A	N/A
2444Cm	600.5	600	0.5	0.5	600	600	242	20
252 <b>Cf</b>	5.9	5.4	0.54	0.54	5.4	5.4	420	20

Table 4B. A sampling of industrial license limits<sup>a,b</sup>(curies) for byproduct and SNM materials. Alpha emitters with license limits  $\geq 0.01$  Ci for 1 or more licenses examined. Nuclides listed by atomic numbers. Footnotes for Table 4B

- a. For broad scope licenses we have assumed O Curies of each unless a definite value is given in the license.
- b. For cases where a license states X curies/sealed source we have aszumed there are 5 such sources and hence an effective license limit of 5X curies.
- c. U.S. transportation data from March 1974 through February 1975 taken from Simmons, et al. (1976).
- d. Where maximum shipment size has been listed as A to B curies, we have assumed the greater limit.
- e. Although these nuclei are themselves beta particle emitters, their greatest radi logical effectis probably from alpha particles emitted by sort-lived daughter nuclei.

	Inclusion by		Approx.		Inclus	ion by	Approx.
Nuclide	License	Shipping	Half-life (y)	Nuclide	License	Shipping	Half-life (y)
βΗ	x	X	12	<sup>90</sup> Sr	х	X	28
<sup>14</sup> C	Х		5,700	<sup>99</sup> Mo	Х	Х	0.008
<sup>18</sup> F		х	0.0002	<sup>99</sup> Tc	x	X	0.0007
<sup>24</sup> Na		Х	0.0017	<sup>99</sup> Tc	x	x	210,000
2.8 <sub>Mg</sub>		х	0.0024	<sup>113<sup>m</sup>In</sup>	X		0.0002
32 <b>p</b>	х		0.039	<sup>113</sup> Sn	х		0.31
<sup>35</sup> S	х		0.24	<sup>125</sup> Sn	X		0.026
<sup>51</sup> Cr	Х		0.076	<sup>124</sup> Sb	Х		0.17
54Mn		х	0.83	125 <b>I</b>	Х		0.16
<sup>55</sup> Fe	х	х	2.6	131 <b>I</b>	х	х	0.022
<sup>60</sup> Co	х	х	5.3	<sup>131<sup>m</sup></sup> Xe	X		0.032
<sup>6.3</sup> Ni	х		92	<sup>133<sup>m</sup></sup> Xe	Х		0.006
<sup>67</sup> Ga		х	0.009	<sup>133</sup> Xe	Х	х	0.014
<sup>75</sup> Se	Х		0.33	<sup>137</sup> Cs	X	x	30
<sup>85</sup> Kr	Х	х	11	147 <b>P</b> m	Х	Х	2.5

Table 5. Comparison of radionuclides selected by licenses and by annual shipping records. (See Text.) Po and all the higher Z nuclides are essentially alpha emitters. Nuclides are listed b atomic number.

Nuclide	Inclu License	usion by Shipping	Approx. Half-life (y)	Nuclide	Inclust License	<u>ion by</u> Shipping	Approx. Half-life (y)
170 <b>Tm</b>	X		0.35	<sup>234</sup> U	X		250,000
169 <b>Yb</b>	х		0.088	2 3 5U	x	X	7 X 10 <sup>8</sup>
<sup>182</sup> Ta	х		0.31	238U	x	x	4.5 X 10 <sup>9</sup>
<sup>183</sup> Ta	х		0.014	<sup>237</sup> Np	х		2 X 10 <sup>6</sup>
<sup>192</sup> Ir	х	х	0.20	238 <b>Pu</b>	х	Х	86
<sup>198</sup> Au	х		0.0074	<sup>2 39</sup> Pu	X	X	24,000
204 <b>T</b> ]	х		3.8	240 <b>Pu</b>	x	X	6,600
<sup>210</sup> Bi	х		370,000	241 <b>Pu</b>		x	13
<sup>208</sup> Po	Х		2.9	<sup>242</sup> Pu		X	380,000
<sup>210</sup> Po	х	Х	0.38	244 <b>Pu</b>		х	8 X 10 <sup>7</sup>
<sup>227</sup> Ac <sup>a</sup>	x		22	<sup>241</sup> Am	х	x	460
<sup>228</sup> Th	х		1.9	242Cm <sup>a</sup>	х		0.45
<sup>232</sup> Th		X	1.4 X 10 <sup>10</sup>	243Cm	x		32
232U		х	74	<sup>244</sup> Cm	x		18
233U		x	160,000	<sup>252</sup> Cf	х		2.7
			Total	60	49	31	

Table 5. Comparison of radionuclides selected by licenses and by annual shipping records. (See Text.) Po and all the higher Z nuclides are essentially alpha emitters. Nuclides are listed by atomic number. (Continued)

<sup>a</sup>These nuclei are themselves beta emitters, but their greatest radiobiological effect is probably from alpha particles emitted by short-lived daughter nuclei.

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