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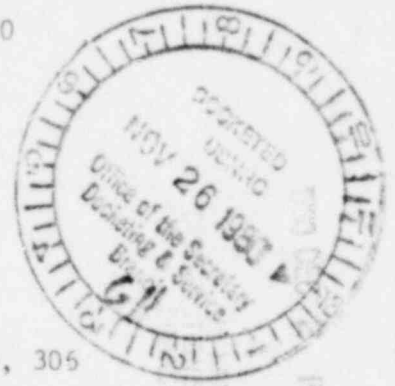


American Association of Physicists in Medicine

SUBJECT NUMBER PR 20
PROPOSED RULE 45 FR 67018

November 21, 1980

Secretary of the Commission
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D. C. 20555



Attention: Docketing and Service Branch

Subject: Proposed Rule 10 CFR Part 20: 301, 305, 305, 306

Gentlemen:

As Chairman of the American Association of Physicists in Medicine Radiation Protection Committee, I am writing in support of the Proposed Rule change of 10CFR Part 20: 301, 303, 305 and 306 concerning the disposal of small quantities of H-3 and C-14.

The change was published in the Federal Register on October 8, 1980. This change will help alleviate a portion of the low level radioactive waste problem facing this nation. It does not solve the entire problem. Large institutions conducting biomedical research as well as research in the basic sciences use a variety of radioactive isotopes generating low level waste. The waste forms are similar to those being exempted by the proposed change. I urge the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to expand this concept to include other research waste.

I urge the speedy adoption of the proposed rule and expansion of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to other isotopes of biomedical research interest.

Very truly yours,

George R. Holeman, Chairman
Radiation Protection Committee

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cc: Colin Orton
James Deye

Acknowledged by card... 11/26/80

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