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MEMORANDUM FOR: Donnie H. Grimsley, Director Division of Rules and Records, ARM

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Jack W. Roe, Director Program Management, Policy Development and Analysis Staff, NMSS

SUBJECT: ADDITION TO THE NRC REGULATORY AGENDA

Please add the attached entry for the rulemaking entitled, "Criteria for Licensing the Long-Term Custody and Maintenance of Uranium Mill Tailing Sites", to the NRC Regulatory Agenda. This rulemaking received EDO initial approval on February 17, 1987.

The information in the attached entry has been revised to show the current schedule for the rulemaking, and has been coordinated with the Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research. The Agency Contact, Mark Haisfield, is presently on detail to NMSS through July 1987.

(Signed) lack W. Roe

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Attachment: Regulatory Agenda Entry

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TITLE: Criteria for Licensing the Long-Term Custody and Maintenance of Uranium Mill Tailings Sites

CFR CITATION: 10 CFR PART 40

ABSTRACT:

The proposed rulemaking would amend Title 10 of the <u>Code of Federal Regulations</u>, Part 40 (Domestic Licensing of Source Material), to include a mechanism for licensing a custodian for the post-closure, long-term control of uranium mill tailings sites required by the Uranium Mill Tailings Radiation Control Act of 1978 (UMTRCA). This amendment would establish a general license for long-term possession and control of uranium mill tailings by the Department of Energy, other designated Federal agency, or states at their option for active sites now under license. The general license would be formulated so that it would become effective for a particular site upon written NRC approval of a sitespecific surveillance and maintenance plan. No impact to the public or industry is expected as a result of this proposed action.

TIMETABLE:

FOR RULE APPROACHING NPRM

12/04/87	Proposed rule for Division review
03/04/88	Office concurrence on proposed rule completed
03/15/88	Proposed rule package to EDO
05/30/88	Proposed rule published
12/30/88	Final rule published

LEGAL AUTHORITY:

Uranium Mill Tailings Radiation Control Act of 1978, as amended; Public Law 95-604, 92 Stat. 3021

EFFECTS ON SMALL BUSINESS AND OTHER ENTITIES: No

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