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10 CFR Parts 0 and 1

RIN: 3150-AD74

Statement of Organization and General Information;
Minor Amendments

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is revising its statement of organization and general information to reflect the establishment of the Office of Inspector General (OIG) by formally removing references to the Office of Inspector and Auditor (OIA) from its regulations. The authority and responsibility for OIA functions have been transferred to the OIG. This final rule is necessary to inform the public of organizational changes within the NRC.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The rule will become effective upon date of publication.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On April 17, 1989, the Office of the Inspector General was established as a result of Public Law 100-504, "The Inspector General Amendments Act of 1988." The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) formally announced the establishment of the OIG in a final rule published in the Federal Register on December 28, 1989 (54 FR 53312).

The amendments presented in this final rule are necessary to formally remove references to the Office of Inspector and Auditor (OIA) from 10 CFR Chapter I. The authority and responsibility for OIA functions have been transferred to the OIG.

Because these are amendments dealing with agency practice and procedure, the notice and comment provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act do not apply pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(A). The amendments are effective upon publication in the Federal Register. Good cause exists to dispense with the usual 30-day delay in the effective date, because these amendments are of a minor and administrative nature, dealing with the agency's reorganization.

Environmental Impact: Categorical Exclusion

The NRC has determined that this final rule is the type of action described in categorical exclusion 10 CFR 51.22(c)(2). Therefore, neither an environmental impact statement nor an environmental assessment has been prepared for this final rule.

Paperwork Reduction Act Statement

This final rule contains no information collection requirements and therefore is not subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.). Existing requirements were approved by the Office of Management and Budget approval number 3150-0025.

List of Subjects

10 CFR Part 0
Conflict of interest, Penalty

10 CFR Part 1
Organization and functions (Government Agencies)

For the reason set out in the preamble and under the authority of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974, as amended, and 5 U.S.C. 552 and 553, the NRC is adopting the following amendments to 10 CFR Parts O and 1.

PART O - CONDUCT OF EMPLOYEES

1. The authority citation for Part O continues to read in part as follows:

Authority: Sec. 161, 68 Stat. 948, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2201); sec 201, 88 Stat. 1242, as amended (42 U.S.C. 5841) * * *.

§0.735-3 [Amended]

2. In §0.735-3, paragraphs (d)(2) and (g), remove the words "Office of Inspector and Auditor," and add in their place the words "Office of Inspector General."

PART 1 - STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION AND GENERAL INFORMATION

3. The authority citation for Part 1 continues to read in part as follows:

Authority: Sec 161, 68 Stat. 948, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2201); sec. 201, 88 Stat. 1242, as amended (42 U.S.C. 5841) * * *.

§1.21 [Removed]

4. Section 1.21 is removed.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 2nd day of November, 1990.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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