

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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TO:

ALL PORTABLE GAUGE LICENSEES

SUBJECT:

STANDARD REVIEW PLAN FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE USE

OF SEALED SOURCES IN PORTABLE GAUGING DEVICES

Enclosed is a recent revision of the standard review plan (SRP) for the use of sealed sources in portable gauging devices, which is used by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Regional offices in the review of this category of license applications. The SRP contains the text of a draft regulatory guide (RG) that will be published for comment by the Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research and includes notes to the NRC license reviewer, which are printed in bold. The enclosed SRP was revised to reflect the requirements in new 10 CFR Part 20, which became effective January 1, 1994, and the NRC staff's experience with portable gauge licensees. The document contains a number of appendixes, which

- include copies of NRC Forms 313 and 314, a sample license, and several pertinent Information Notices, and
- provide background information on such topics as the duties and 0 responsibilities of the radiation safety officer, criteria for acceptable training programs and instructor qualifications, points to be covered in standard operating and emergency procedures, a sample audit program, and information needed for authorization to perform cleaning or maintenance involving removal of the source from the shielded position or removal of the source rod from the device.

The enclosed SRP is NRC's most up-to-date guidance for portable gauge licensees and we suggest that you use it in your preparation of applications for major amendments and renewal of your license. During this interim period before publication of the draft RG for comment, you may send comments to:

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