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Sec. . For the purpose of implementing the amendment to section 189 a. of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 contained in section of this Act, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, within 90 days of enactment of this Act, shall promulgate regulations establishing standards for determining whether an amendment to a license involves no significant hazards consideration, criteria for providing or dispensing with prior notice and public comment on such determinations, and criteria for consultation on such determinations with the State in which the facility is located.