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PROPOSED RULE PR 35 (62FR42219)

Dear Dr. Cool:

I am writing in regard to the proposed revision to 10 CFR part 35. I am very strongly opposed to any weakening of the requirements regarding the handling and utilization of radioactive materials. I feel that the patients and public have been well served by the current regulations and weakening of the standards might jeopardize patient care and safety.

I again I strongly support maintaining current standards.

Sincerely,

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