

NRC & Agreement State Working Groups

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According to NRC Management Directive 5.3, “It is the policy of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission to provide Agreement State programs the opportunity for early and substantive involvement in the development or formulation of any rule, policy, directive or guidance document, as well as participation in any special study or other NRC activity...” In alignment with this policy, the NRC includes Agreement State representatives in many working groups which enhance the partnership between the NRC and the Agreement States, facilitate the utilization of expertise that exists in the Agreement States, and support the National Materials Program. The purpose of this document is to provide a complete and concise list of the NRC working groups that field participants from the Agreement States.

Working Group Title	Charter and/or Purpose	Select Members ¹
Standing Committee on Compatibility	<p>Charter: ADAMS Accession No. ML12296A075</p> <p>State Agreements (SA) Procedure, SA-202: <i>Review of Regulations and Other Program Elements by the Standing Committee on Compatibility</i> (ML21081A103)</p> <p>Purpose: To enhance the existing compatibility determination process, evaluate and document compatibility designations for program elements pursuant to Management Directive 5.9, ensure consistency during promulgation of regulations by documenting decisions on compatibility and their basis, and take into account implementation issues and NRC staff’s review of Agreement State regulations under the Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program (IMPEP).</p>	<p>Duncan White, NRC/NMSS Co-Chair</p> <p>Philip Peterson, OAS/Colorado Co-Chair</p> <p>Becki Harisis, OAS/Nebraska</p> <p>Jill Shepherd, NRC/NMSS</p>

¹ Typically only the working group and/or steering committee chair, co-chairs, and all Agreement State members are listed. This column does not list every working group member.

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<p>Common Prioritization of Rulemaking (CPR) Working Group</p>	<p>Charter: ML18263A070</p> <p>Purpose: The CPR uses the methodology based on the two NRC strategic goals of safety and security, and it also considers factors for internal and external influences. The methodology requires the selection of a primary and a secondary strategic goal that the rulemaking is intended to support and the selection of the rulemaking activity's level of contribution—high, medium, or low— to accomplishing those goals. The prioritization methodology has been revised to consider the 2018-2022 Strategic Plan.</p>	<p>Caylee Kenny, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Philip Peterson, OAS/Colorado</p>
<p>Standing Committee on the Review of Emerging Medical Technologies</p>	<p>Charter: ML22159A317</p> <p>Interim State Agreements (SA) Procedure, SA-802: <i>Standing Committee for Reviewing Emerging Medical Technologies</i> (ML22269A549)</p> <p>Purpose: This standing committee will serve to help ensure consistency across all emerging medical technology licensing guidance documents, provide more flexibility, and help to prioritize the reviews by considering available resources, and consider the timeline of the NRC review relative to the reviews by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and/or the Agreement States.</p>	<p>Celimar Valentin-Rodriguez, Co-Chair, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Sarah Sanderlin, Co-Chair, OAS/New Jersey</p> <p>Karen Flanigan, New Jersey</p> <p>Elizabeth Tindle-Engelmann, NRC/RIII</p> <p>Mauri Lemoncelli, NRC/OGC (Materials, Fuel Cycle, and Waste Programs)</p> <p>Brian Harris, NRC/OGC (Rulemaking and Agreement States)</p> <p>Ken Brenneman, NRC/NMSS (Coordinator)</p>

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<p>Joint NRC/Agreement State Working Group IMC 2800 Phase Three</p>	<p>Charter: ML19338E145</p> <p>Purpose: To recommend and implement Phase Three of the modern risk-informed approaches to the materials inspection program, in a way that will not diminish the protection of public health and safety or security of licensed material.</p> <p>To enhance the inspection program and incorporate new – or evaluate existing – risk and performance insights into the program.</p> <p>To explore additional options to leverage the collective inspection/oversight efforts of the National Materials Program.</p> <p>To incorporate strategies to address low safety-significant issues in the inspection program, processes, and procedures.</p>	<p>Leira Cuadrado, NRC/NMSS Co-Chair</p> <p>Augustinus Ong, OAS/New Hampshire, Co-Chair</p> <p>Amy Ford, OAS/Tennessee</p>

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<p>10 CFR Part 71 – Harmonization of Transportation Safety Requirements – Rulemaking Working Group</p>	<p>Charter: ML19240A311</p> <p>Purpose: The Harmonization of Transportation Safety Requirements rulemaking working group is developing a proposed rule package that would harmonize the NRC’s transportation safety requirements in 10 CFR Part 71 domestically with those of DOT in 49 CFR and internationally with those of IAEA in SSR-6, 2012 and 2018 editions.</p>	<p>James Firth, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Katie Scott, OAS/Pennsylvania</p> <p>Bernie White, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>David Pstrak, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Drew Barto, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Jeremy Tapp, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Sheldon Clark, NRC/OGC</p> <p>Helen Chang, NRC/NMSS</p>
<p>Ground Water Protection at Uranium In Situ Recovery (ISR) Facilities Rulemaking</p>	<p>Charter: ML20294A394. (Draft)</p> <p>Purpose: These rulemaking actions would establish regulations specific to ground water protection at uranium ISR facilities, which are currently reflected in the NRC’s ISR licenses, and are expected to ensure that groundwater is adequately protected during and after completion of ISR operations and improve regulatory efficiency and be consistent with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) maximum contaminant levels (MCLs) for drinking water.</p>	<p>George Tartal, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>David Hastings, OAS/Texas (TCEQ)</p> <p>Caylee Kenny, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>John Saxton, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Doug Mandeville, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Christina England, NRC/OGC</p> <p>Angela Love-Blair, NRC/NMSS</p>

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<p>Limited Revision of Abnormal Occurrence Criteria</p>	<p>Charter: ML21167A348</p> <p>Purpose: The working group (WG) will develop and propose a limited revision to the Commission of the abnormal occurrence (AO) criteria in the medical event and source security areas only, to align these criteria with events that are significant from the standpoint of public health and safety.</p>	<p>Rigel Flora, NRC/RES, Co-Chair</p> <p>Jennifer McAllister, OAS/Oklahoma, Co-Chair</p> <p>Stuart Jordan, OAS/Iowa</p> <p>Kathryn Cloud, OAS/Tennessee</p> <p>Cindy Flannery, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Anita Gray, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Sue Woods, NRC/OE</p> <p>Duane White, NRC/NSIR</p> <p>Monica Ford, NRC/RI</p> <p>Farrah Gaskins, NRC/RI</p> <p>Anne DeFrancisco, NRC/RI</p> <p>Joel Rivera Ortiz, NRC/RII</p> <p>Shane Sandal, NRC/RII</p> <p>Darren Piccirillo, NRC/RIII</p> <p>Ryan Alexander, NRC/RIV</p> <p>Edward Harvey, NRC/RES</p>
<p>Regulatory Framework for Fusion Energy Systems Rulemaking</p>	<p>Charter: NA; Function under SA801A, "Agreement State Participation in NRC Working Groups"</p> <p>Purpose: to develop proposed and final rules and associated guidance for a regulatory framework to license near-term fusion energy systems</p>	<p>Dennis Andrukat, NRC/NMSS, Lead Rulemaking Project Manager</p> <p>Caylee Kenny, NRC/NMSS Rulemaking Project Manager</p> <p>Duncan White, NRC/NMSS, Technical Lead</p> <p>Allyce Bolger, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Tim Herald, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Shelton Clark, OGC</p> <p>Diego Saenz, OAS/Wisconsin</p> <p>Jack Priest, OAS/Massachusetts</p>

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<p>Radioactive Source Security and Accountability Rulemaking Project</p>	<p>Charter: ML19178A203</p> <p>Purpose: to develop a rulemaking plan to address to improve regulatory framework and address issues by internal and external groups.</p>	<p>Anita Gray, NRC/NMSS, Project Manager and Technical Lead</p> <p>George Smith, NRC/NMSS, Technical Lead</p> <p>Andrew Carrera, NRC/NMSS, Rulemaking Project Manager</p> <p>Alexa Sieracki, NRC/NMSS, Cost Analyst</p> <p>Duane White, NRC/NSIR</p> <p>Ernesto Quinones, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Janine Katanic, NRC/RIV</p> <p>Kayla Gamin, NRC/OGC, Legal Support</p> <p>Christina England, NRC/OGC, Legal Support</p> <p>Derek Elling, OAS/Iowa</p>
<p>WBL Agreement State Onboarding Project</p>	<p>Charter: N/A, Team Sharepoint located here</p> <p>Purpose: To smoothly and efficiently add as many Agreement State regulators to the WBL system as possible and to ensure consistency in source management (licensing/inspection) across the country.</p>	<p>Matt Barrett, NRC/NMSS, Project Manager and Technical Lead</p> <p>Ernesto Quinones, NRC/NMSS, Technical Lead</p> <p>Kim Lukes, NRC/NMSS, Health Physicist, Data Transfer Lead</p> <p>Linda Eusebio, NRC/NMSS, Source Analyst, Credentialing Lead</p>

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<p>Decommissioning Financial Assurance for Sealed and Unsealed Radioactive Material</p>	<p>Charter: ML20294A544</p> <p>Purpose: to develop proposed and final rules and associated supplemental guidance to update the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) rules in Part 30 of Title 10 of the <i>Code of Federal Regulations</i> (10 CFR Part 30) for calculating materials licensees' decommissioning funding requirements.</p>	<p>Adam Schwartzman, NRC/NMSS, Technical Lead</p> <p>Gregory Trussell, NRC/NMSS, Rulemaking Project Manager</p> <p>Rajwant Bedi, OAS/California</p> <p>Ken Kline, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Helen Chang</p> <p>Solomon Sahle, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Shirley Xu, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Antonio Gomez</p> <p>Fajr Majeed</p> <p>Sara Forster, NRC/RIII</p> <p>Vince Holahan, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Cindy Flannery, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Brian Harris, OGC</p>

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<p>Rulemaking on Exempt Quantities in Section 30.71, "Schedule B"</p>	<p>Charter: ML22105A569</p> <p>Purpose: The purpose of this working group is to develop a rulemaking plan to request Commission approval to initiate a rulemaking to revise Section 30.71, "Schedule B," to include additional radionuclides that are currently not listed in the table. This table is used along with 10 CFR 30.18, "Exempt Quantities," in determining the need for a specific license. The staff also plans to revise certain sections in 10 CFR Part 30, "Rules of General applicability to Domestic Licensing of Byproduct Material," related to exemptions to make clear when a license is required.</p>	<p>Shirley Xu, NRC/NMSS; Technical Lead</p> <p>Andrew Carrera, NRC/NMSS; Rulemaking Project Manager</p> <p>Helen Chang, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Alexa Sieracki, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Jeffery Lynch, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Daniel DiMarco, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Betsy Ullrich, NRC/RI</p> <p>Brenda Miles, NRC/OCFO</p> <p>Brian Harris, NRC/OGC</p> <p>Tracy Jue, OAS/CA</p>
<p>Integrated Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Rulemaking</p>	<p>Charter: ML22144A410</p> <p>Purpose: The purpose of this working group is to develop proposed and final rules, and associated implementing guidance, to revise the NRC regulations for low-level radioactive waste disposal in 10 CFR Part 61 and to specify new requirements related to GTCC and transuranic waste disposal. This integrated rulemaking will also provide for Agreement State licensing of those GTCC waste streams that meet the regulatory requirements for near-surface disposal and do not present a hazard such that the NRC should retain disposal authority.</p>	<p>George Tartal, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Cardelia Maupin, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Priya Yadav, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Hans Weger, OAS/Texas</p> <p>Duncan White, NRC/NMSS</p>

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<p>Financial Assurance Requirements for Category 1 and 2 Byproduct Material Sealed Sources</p>	<p>Charter: NA; Function under SA801A, "Agreement State Participation in NRC Working Groups"</p> <p>Purpose: The NRC is revising its regulations to require financial assurance for the disposition of Category 1 and 2 byproduct material radioactive sealed sources. This rulemaking will help ensure 1) that licensees are financially prepared for the costs of end-of life disposition of Category 1 and 2 byproduct material radioactive sealed sources, 2) safe and secure management of these sources by facilitating timely disposition when they are no longer needed or wanted, and 3) that dispositioning costs are borne by those who receive the economic benefits from the use of these sources. References: 1) SECY-16-0115, "Rulemaking Plan Financial Assurance for Disposition of Category 1 and 2 Byproduct Material Sealed Sources," dated October 7, 2016 (ML16200A223); 2) SRM to SECY-16-0115 (ML21342A032), dated December 8, 2021.</p>	<p>Ryan Whited, Technical Lead; NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Gregory Trussell, Rulemaking Project Manager; NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Brandi O'Brien, OAS/Wyoming</p>

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<p>Rulemaking Plan on Updates for Emerging Medical Technologies</p>	<p>Charter: ML19309F117</p> <p>Purpose: The purpose of this working group was to develop a rulemaking plan to identify the emerging medical technologies that can be regulated under 10 CFR Part 35, Subparts D through H, and provide rulemaking options and recommendations to the Commission. In SECY-21-0013, "Rulemaking Plan to Establish Requirements for Rubidium-82 Generators and Emerging Medical Technologies," dated February 9, 2021 (ML20261H562), the NRC sought Commission approval to initiate a rulemaking that would add requirements for calibration and dosage measurement for strontium-82/rubidium-82 generators to 10 CFR Part 35 and establish performance-based requirements for existing and future emerging medical technologies licensed under 10 CFR 35.1000. The Commission approved initiation of this rulemaking in the staff requirements memorandum (SRM) to SECY-21-0013, dated January 13, 2022 (ML22013A266). The working group is now developing proposed and final rules, and associated implementing guidance, as approved by the Commission in SRM-SECY-21-0013.</p>	<p>Maryann Ayoade, Technical Lead; NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Andrew Carrera, Rulemaking Project Manager; NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Monica Ford, NRC/RI</p> <p>Laura Cender, NRC/RIII</p> <p>Elizabeth Tindle-Engelmann, NRC/RIII</p> <p>Brian Harris, NRC/OGC</p> <p>Francis O'Neill, OAS/Vermont</p>

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<p>Veterinary Release Rulemaking</p>	<p>Charter: ML21299A348</p> <p>Purpose: The purpose of this working group is to develop a rulemaking plan to request Commission approval to initiate a rulemaking to develop a regulatory framework that would authorize veterinary licensees to release animals containing byproduct material following veterinary procedures (e.g., diagnostic, therapeutic, and research) with appropriate instructions under certain circumstances.</p>	<p>Andy Carrera, Project Manager, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Katie Tapp, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Angela Love-Blair, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Pamela Noto, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Brian Allen, NRC/RES</p> <p>Rigel Flora, NRC/RES</p> <p>Robin Elliott, NRC/RI</p> <p>Adam Gendelman, NRC/OGC</p> <p>Adam Gause, OAS/South Carolina</p>
<p>Assessing the Ability to Monitor NMP Performance</p>	<p>Charter: ML22305A688</p> <p>Purpose: to evaluate whether the current Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program (IMPEP) process provides for the proactive assessment of the NMP radiation control programs (RCPs) performance. The WG's evaluations and recommendations will be briefed to senior U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Program (NRC) managers and the Organization of Agreement States (OAS) board and documented in a standalone memorandum to NRC management in September 2023.</p>	<p>Sherrie Flaherty, Co-Chair, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Santiago Rodriguez, Co-Chair, OAS/NM</p> <p>Robert Johnson, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Huda Akhavannik, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Duncan White, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Keisha Cornelius, OAS/OK</p> <p>Beth Shelton, OAS/TN</p> <p>Brian Harris, NRC/OGC</p> <p>Jen Scro, NRC/OGC</p> <p>Farrah Gaskins, NRC/RI</p> <p>Lizette Roldan-Otero, NRC/RIV</p> <p>Tammy Bloomer, NRC/RI</p> <p>Linda Howell, NRC/RIV</p> <p>Darren Piccirillo, NRC/RIII</p>

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<p>Extravasations Rulemaking</p>	<p>Charter: ML23081A510</p> <p>Purpose: The purpose of this WG is to develop proposed and final rules and associated guidance that would amend Part 35 to include requirements for medical event reporting of extravasations that require medical attention for a suspected radiation injury, as directed by the Commission in SRM-SECY-22-0043, dated December 12, 2022.</p>	<p>Daniel Dimarco, Technical Lead, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Irene Wu, Rulemaking Project Manager, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Brian Allen, NRC/RES</p> <p>Rigel Flora, NRC/RES</p> <p>Hiba Ahmed, NRC/RI</p> <p>Becki Harisis, OAS/NE</p>
<p>Training and Experience Implementation Guidance</p>	<p>Charter: ML23082A024</p> <p>Purpose: To develop implementation guidance to clarify expectations on how to fulfill training and experience (T&E) requirements and clarify the roles and responsibilities of persons subject to T&E requirements in Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) Part 35, Medical Use of Byproduct Material.</p>	<p>Cindy Flannery, Technical Lead, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Maryann Ayoade, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Daniel Shaw, NRC/NMSS</p> <p>Elizabeth Tindle-Engelmann, NRC/RIII</p> <p>Charles Kreuzberger, NRC/OGC</p> <p>Augustinus Ong, OAS/NH</p>