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ATTN: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff

Subject: Health Physics Society Request for Extension of Comment Deadline for the Proposed Rule, *Reforming and Modernizing the NRC's Radiation Protection Framework*

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Dear Secretary:

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The changes contemplated in this rulemaking have the potential for wide-ranging impacts that extend well beyond the NRC's own jurisdiction, as numerous other federal agencies and state regulatory programs rely on the NRC's radiation protection regulations as the foundation for their own requirements. Given the breadth of these downstream effects, a thorough evaluation of the potential impacts prior to implementation is warranted, and an additional 15 days to conduct that review is not unjustified.

Respectfully submitted,



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