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NRC ANNOUNCES WORKSHOPS ON MEDICAL USES OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission will conduct two public workshops on April 25 and 30 to discuss draft guidance for obtaining an NRC license to use radioactive materials in medical procedures. A third workshop relating to inspection guidance is planned for early June and will be announced separately.

The April workshops will be held from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. at NRC headquarters in the Auditorium, located at Two White Flint North, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland. The April 25 workshop will focus on guidance pertaining to therapeutic applications of radioactive materials. The April 30 workshop will focus on guidance pertaining to diagnostic applications of radioactive materials. Each workshop will be preceded by an open house at 8 a.m. Additional information about the workshops can be found at NRC's web site at www.nrc.gov, under "Public Meeting Schedule" and "Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards."

The availability of draft NUREG-1556, Volume 9, "Consolidated Guidance About Materials Licenses; Program Specific Guidance About Medical Use Licenses," which will be discussed at the workshops, was announced in the Federal Register on April 5. It can be found at NRC's website at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/nuregs/staff/sr1556/v9/index.html> and is also available through the NRC Public Document Room, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Room O-1 F23, Rockville, MD 20852 (telephone 1-800-397-4209 or 301-415-4737).

Written comments on the draft guidance can be submitted by June 4, to the Chief, Rules and Directives Branch, Division of Administrative Services, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC, 20555. Comments can also be made at NRC's website at <http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/doc-comment/form.html>

For more information about the draft guidance and upcoming meetings, contact Roger W. Broseus at 301-415-7608, or by email at RWB@nrc.gov. Persons planning to attend either of the workshops should contact Roberta Gordon at 301-415-7555, or by email at REG@nrc.gov, so that adequate copies of handouts can be made available. Questions about the public meeting process should be directed to Francis Cameron at 301-415-1642.

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