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APPENDIX B TO PART 20—ANNUAL LIMITS ON INTAKE (ALIS) AND DERIVED AIR CONCENTRATIONS (DACS) OF RADIONUCLIDES FOR OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE; EFFLUENT CONCENTRATIONS; CONCENTRATIONS FOR RELEASE TO SEWERAGE

APPENDIX C TO PART 20—QUANTITIES OF LI-CENSED MATERIAL REQUIRING LABELING

APPENDIX D TO PART 20—UNITED STATES NU-CLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION RE-GIONAL OFFICES

APPENDIX E TO PART 20—NATIONALLY TRACKED SOURCE THRESHOLDS

APPENDIX F TO PART 20 [RESERVED]

APPENDIX G TO PART 20—REQUIREMENTS FOR TRANSFERS OF LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE INTENDED FOR DISPOSAL AT LI-CENSED LAND DISPOSAL FACILITIES AND MANIFESTS

AUTHORITY: Atomic Energy Act secs. 53, 63, 65, 81, 103, 104, 161, 182, 186, 223, 234, 1701 (42 U.S.C. 2073, 2093, 2095, 2111, 2133, 2134, 2201, 2232, 2236, 2273, 2282, 2297f), Energy Reorganization Act secs. 201, 202, 206 (42 U.S.C. 5841, 5842, 5846):

Government Paperwork Elimination Act sec. 1704 (44 U.S.C. 3504 note); Energy Policy Act of 2005 sec. 651(e), Pub. L. 109-58, 119 Stat. 549 (2005) (42 U.S.C. 2014, 2021, 2021b, 2111).

Subpart A—General Provisions

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§20.1001 Purpose.

(a) The regulations in this part establish standards for protection against ionizing radiation resulting from activities conducted under licenses issued by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. These regulations are issued under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974, as amended.

(b) It is the purpose of the regulations in this part to control the receipt, possession, use, transfer, and disposal of licensed material by any licensee in such a manner that the total dose to an individual (including doses resulting from licensed and unlicensed radioactive material and from radiation sources other than background radiation) does not exceed the standards for protection against radiation prescribed in the regulations in this part. However, nothing in this part shall be construed as limiting actions that may be necessary to protect health and safety.

§20.1002 Scope.

The regulations in this part apply to persons licensed by the Commission to receive, possess, use, transfer, or dispose of byproduct, source, or special nuclear material or to operate a production or utilization facility under parts 30 through 36, 39, 40, 50, 52, 60, 61, 63, 70, or 72 of this chapter, and in accordance with 10 CFR 76.60 to persons required to obtain a certificate of compliance or an approved compliance plan under part 76 of this chapter. The limits in this part do not apply to doses due to background radiation, to exposure of patients to radiation for the purpose of medical diagnosis or therapy, to exposure from individuals administered radioactive material and released under §35.75, or to exposure from voluntary participation in medical research programs.

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§ 20.1003 Definitions.

As used in this part:

Absorbed dose means the energy imparted by ionizing radiation per unit mass of irradiated material. The units of absorbed dose are the rad and the gray (Gy).

Accelerator-produced radioactive material means any material made radioactive by a particle accelerator.

Act means the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.), as amended.

Activity is the rate of disintegration (transformation) or decay of radioactive material. The units of activity are the curie (Ci) and the becquerel (Bq).

Adult means an individual 18 or more years of age.

Airborne radioactive material means radioactive material dispersed in the air in the form of dusts, fumes, particulates, mists, vapors, or gases.

Airborne radioactivity area means a room, enclosure, or area in which airborne radioactive materials, composed wholly or partly of licensed material, exist in concentrations—

- (1) In excess of the derived air concentrations (DACs) specified in appendix B, to $\S\S\,20.1001-20.2401,$ or
- (2) To such a degree that an individual present in the area without respiratory protective equipment could