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ALL AGREEMENT STATES

NOTIFICATION OF NEW PHOTO ID REQUIREMENT TO ENTER FEDERAL BUILDINGS (FSME-14-074)

**Purpose:** To provide information regarding the implementation of the Federal REAL ID Act (the Act) of 2005, which will affect access to U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) facilities.

**Background:** The Department of Homeland Security announced on December 20, 2013, a phased enforcement plan for the Act which prohibits Federal agencies from accepting for official uses driver's licenses and identity cards from states unless the Department of Homeland Security determines that the state meets the standards. Official uses are defined as accessing Federal facilities, entering nuclear power plants, and boarding federally-regulated commercial aircraft.

**Discussion:** Phase 2 of the implementation of the Act, which goes into enforcement on July 21, 2014, states that citizens from noncompliant states will need to show additional identification, such as a passport, to enter restricted areas of Federal facilities. The NRC sponsored training courses are not held in restricted areas, and therefore, students from non-compliant states will continue to have access to our training facilities using their state issued driver's licenses. Notification and guidance for Phase 3 of the implementation of the Act, which goes into enforcement on January 19, 2015, will be issued to the Agreement States later this year. Additional information on the law as well as a list of States which are noncompliant is available on the following Web sites: <http://www.dhs.gov/publication/real-id-enforcement-brief> and <http://www.dhs.gov/real-id-public-faqs>.

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