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**TECHNICAL CONFERENCE FORUM: DRAFT CHECKLIST AND INTERIM
SUPPLEMENTARY GUIDANCE FOR PRE-LICENSING OF MATERIALS LICENSES
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On April 27, 2005, the Chairman submitted a report to Congress to summarize and update actions taken by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) in response to recommendations contained in various U. S. Government Accountability Office's (GAO) reports that address NRC activities. In response to one of the recommendations "Nuclear Security Federal and State Action Needed to Improve Security of Sealed Radioactive Sources," (August 2003; GAO-03-804), NRC has responded that "An NRC-Agreement State Working Group is developing a process to ensure that high-risk radioactive sources cannot be obtained before verification-through inspection or other means-that the materials will be used as intended." A pilot program will be established to test the draft work products before the NRC Regional offices and the Agreement States implement the final guidance in 2006.

The draft proposed checklist and interim supplementary guidance is pre-decisional and is available at the Agreement State area of the NRC's Technical Conference Forum <http://techconf.llnl.gov/cgi-states/topics>. The draft is marked: "OFFICIAL USE ONLY - SENSITIVE INTERNAL INFORMATION - NOT FOR PUBLIC DISCLOSURE." and is available for a **30-day comment period (closing on March 2, 2006)**.

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