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ALL AGREEMENT STATES, CONNECTICUT, INDIANA

PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS NOTICE OF INTERPRETATION ON INDUSTRIAL RADIOGRAPHIC OPERATIONS AT TEMPORARY RADIOGRAPHY JOBSITES AND AN AGREEMENT STATE COMPATIBILITY CATEGORY CHANGE (STC-21-057)

Purpose: To inform the Agreement States that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) will hold a public meeting on August 26, 2021, to discuss the notice of interpretation on industrial radiographic operations at temporary radiography jobsites and an Agreement State Compatibility Category change published in the *Federal Register* (FR) on June 1, 2021 (86 FR 29173).

Background: On June 1, 2021, the NRC published "Notice of Interpretation on Industrial Radiographic Operations at Temporary Radiography Jobsites and an Agreement State Compatibility Category Change; Request For Comments (STC-21-032) (Agencywide Documents Access Management System [ADAMS] Accession No. ML21152A049). The STC letter stated that the NRC now interprets § 34.41 such that the requirements contained in the sentence, "[t]he additional qualified individual shall observe the operation and be capable of providing immediate assistance to prevent unauthorized entry" are met if the second qualified individual is in sufficiently close proximity to the operation and sufficiently aware of the ongoing activities to be able to provide assistance or take charge when necessary and to prevent unauthorized entry. The second individual may perform other tasks nearby so long as they are cognizant of the site-specific circumstances when radiographic operations are in progress.

Discussion: The NRC received four comments on the Notice of Interpretation that raised issues regarding the NRC's reinterpretation. The NRC decided to hold an Information Meeting with a Question and Answer Session. The purpose of this meeting is for the NRC staff to meet directly with individuals to discuss regulatory and technical issues. Attendees will have an opportunity to ask questions of the NRC staff or make comments about the issues discussed throughout the meeting; however, the NRC is not actively soliciting comments toward regulatory decisions at this meeting. The public meeting will be held virtually on August 26, 2021, from 1:00 to 3:00 pm EDT. The link for the meeting can be found in Public Meeting Notice at ADAMS Accession No. [ML21214A256](#).

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