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OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON DRAFT NUREG-1556, VOLUME 12, REVISION 1, "CONSOLIDATED GUIDANCE ABOUT MATERIALS LICENSES: PROGRAM-SPECIFIC GUIDANCE ABOUT POSSESSION LICENSES FOR MANUFACTURING AND DISTRIBUTION" (STC-16-061).

Purpose: To provide the Agreement States with the opportunity to comment* on the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS) draft NUREG-1556, Volume 12, Revision 1, "Consolidated Guidance about Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance About Possession Licenses for Manufacturing and Distribution."

Background: The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is revising the licensing guidance in the NUREG-1556 series. The NRC original published NUREG-1556, Volume 12, in December 2000. The document is intended for use by applicants, licensees and NRC staff and is also available to the Agreement States.

Discussion: NUREG-1556, Volume 12 has been updated by a working group made up of NRC and Agreement State representatives to include safety culture, security of radioactive materials, protection of sensitive information, and changes in regulatory policies and practices. The notice announcing the availability of the draft volume for comment was published in the *Federal Register* (81 FR 45308) on July 13, 2016:

<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-07-13/pdf/2016-16559.pdf>

A comment period extension was published in the *Federal Register* (81 FR 48857) on July 26, 2016:

<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-07-26/pdf/2016-17682.pdf>

The draft volume can also be found on the NRC's public Web site at:

<http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/nuregs/staff/sr1556/v12/r1/>

The comment period ends on August 26, 2016. Please follow the directions in the *Federal Register* regarding comments. We look forward to receiving your input.

* This information request has been approved by OMB 3150-0029, expiration 04/30/2017. The estimated burden per response to comply with this voluntary collection is approximately 8 hours. Send comments regarding the burden estimate to the Records and Information Services Branch (T-5F53), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, or by Internet e-mail to infocollects.resource@nrc.gov, and to the Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, NEOB-10202 (3150-0200), Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503. If a means used to impose an information collection does not display a currently valid OMB control number, the NRC may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, the information collection.

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