

Whereas, The Commission and the State of Connecticut recognize the desirability of the reciprocal recognition of licenses, and of the granting of limited exemptions from licensing of those materials subject to this Agreement; and,

Whereas, This Agreement is entered into pursuant to the provisions of the Act;

Now, Therefore, it is hereby agreed between the Commission and the Governor of Connecticut acting on behalf of the State as follows:

Article I

Subject to the exceptions provided in Articles II, IV, and V, the Commission shall discontinue, as of the effective date of this Agreement, the regulatory authority of the Commission in the State under Chapters 6, 7 and 8, and Section 161 of the Act with respect to the following materials:

A. Byproduct material as defined in Section 11e.(1) of the Act;

B. Byproduct material as defined in Section 11e.(3) of the Act;

C. Byproduct materials as defined in Section 11e.(4) of the Act;

D. Source materials; and

E. Special nuclear materials, in quantities not sufficient to form a critical mass.

Article II

This Agreement does not provide for the discontinuance of any authority, and the Commission shall retain authority and responsibility, with respect to:

A. The regulation of the construction, operation, and decommissioning of any production or utilization facility or any uranium enrichment facility;

B. The regulation of byproduct material as defined in Section 11e.(2) of the Act;

C. The regulation of the export from or import into the United States of byproduct, source, or special nuclear material, or of any production or utilization facility;

D. The regulation of the disposal into the ocean or sea of byproduct, source, or special nuclear material waste as defined in regulations or orders of the Commission;

E. The regulation of the disposal of such other byproduct, source, or special nuclear material as the Commission determines by regulation or order should, because of the hazards or potential hazards thereof, not be so disposed without a license from the Commission;

F. The evaluation of radiation safety information on sealed sources or devices containing byproduct, source, or special nuclear material and the registration of the sealed sources or devices for distribution, as provided for in regulations or orders of the Commission;

G. The regulation of activities not exempt from Commission regulation as stated in 10 CFR part 150; and

H. The regulation of the land disposal of byproduct, source, or special nuclear material received from other persons;

Article III

With the exception of those activities identified in Article II, paragraphs A., C. through E. and G., this Agreement may be amended, upon application by the State and approval by the Commission to include the

additional areas specified in Article II, paragraphs B., F., and H., whereby the State may then exert regulatory authority and responsibility with respect to those activities.

Article IV

Notwithstanding this Agreement, the Commission may from time to time by rule, regulation, or order, require that the manufacturer, processor, or producer of any equipment, device, commodity, or other product containing source, byproduct, or special nuclear material shall not transfer possession or control of such product except pursuant to a license or an exemption for licensing issued by the Commission.

Article V

This Agreement shall not affect the authority of the Commission under Subsection 161b. or 161i. of the Act to issue rules, regulations, or orders to promote the common defense and security, to protect restricted data, or to guard against the loss or diversion of special nuclear material.

Article VI

The Commission will cooperate with the State and other Agreement States in the formulation of standards and regulatory programs of the State and the Commission for: (a) protection against hazards of radiation; and (b) to assure that Commission and State programs for protection against the hazards of radiation are coordinated and compatible. The State agrees to cooperate with the Commission and other Agreement States in the formulation of standards and regulatory programs of the State and the Commission for: (a) protection against the hazards of radiation; and (b) to assure that the State's program will continue to be compatible with the program of the Commission for the regulation of materials covered by this Agreement.

The State and the Commission agree to keep each other informed of proposed changes in their respective rules and regulations, and to provide each other the opportunity for early and substantive contribution to the proposed changes.

The State and the Commission agree to keep each other informed of events, accidents, and licensee performance that may have generic implication or otherwise be of regulatory interest.

Article VII

The Commission and the State agree that it is desirable to provide reciprocal recognition of licenses for the materials listed in Article I licensed by the other party or by any other Agreement State.

Accordingly, the Commission and the State agree to develop appropriate rules, regulations, and procedures by which reciprocity will be accorded.

Article VIII

The Commission, upon its own initiative after reasonable notice and opportunity for hearing to the State, or upon request of the Governor of Connecticut, may terminate or suspend all or part of this Agreement and reassert the licensing and regulatory authority vested in it under the Act, if the Commission finds that (1) such termination

or suspension is required to protect the public health and safety, or (2) the State has not complied with one or more of the requirements of Section 274 of the Act. Pursuant to Section 274j. of the Act, the Commission may, after notifying the Governor, temporarily suspend all or part of this Agreement without notice or hearing if, in the judgment of the Commission, an emergency situation exists with respect to any material covered by this Agreement creating danger which requires immediate action to protect the health or safety of persons either within or outside of the State and the State has failed to take steps necessary to contain or eliminate the cause or danger within a reasonable time after the situation arose. The Commission shall periodically review actions taken by the State under this Agreement to ensure compliance with Section 274 of the Act which requires a State program to be adequate to protect the public health and safety with respect to the materials covered by this Agreement and to be compatible with the Commission's program.

Article IX

This Agreement shall become effective on September 30, 2025, and shall remain in effect unless and until such time as it is terminated pursuant to Article VIII.

Executed at Hartford, Connecticut this [date] day of [month], 2025.

For the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

David A. Wright,
Chairman for the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

For the State of Connecticut.

Edward Miner Lamont, Jr. (aka Ned Lamont),
Governor of the State of Connecticut.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC–2025–0035]

Availability of Revised NRC Form 3, “Notice to Employees”

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Generic communications; issuance.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is announcing the availability of the latest version of NRC Form 3, “Notice to Employees.” The NRC Form 3 describes certain responsibilities and rights of employers and employees who engage in NRC-regulated activities, including how employees can report violations or other safety concerns directly to the NRC. Licensees are required by law to post the form at prominent locations at the workplace to permit workers to view it easily.

DATES: The revised form is available immediately.

ADDRESSES: Please refer to Docket ID NRC–2025–0035 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this document. You may obtain publicly available information related to this document using any of the following methods:

- **Federal Rulemaking Website:** Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC–2025–0035. Address questions about Docket IDs in *Regulations.gov* to Bridget Curran; telephone: 301–415–1003; email: Bridget.Curran@nrc.gov. For technical questions, contact the individual listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document.

- **NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS):** You may obtain publicly available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To begin the search, select "Begin Web-based ADAMS Search." For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1–800–397–4209, at 301–415–4737, or by email to PDR.Resource@nrc.gov. NRC Form 3, "Notice to Employees," and Form 3A, a Spanish version of the same form, are available in ADAMS under Accession Numbers ML13083A002 and ML17292A077, respectively.

- **NRC's PDR:** The PDR, where you may examine and order copies of publicly available documents, is open by appointment. To make an appointment to visit the PDR, please send an email to PDR.Resource@nrc.gov or call 1–800–397–4209 or 301–415–4737, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. eastern time (ET), Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sandra Mendez, Office of Enforcement, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555–0001; telephone: 301–287–9426; email: Sandra.Mendez-Gonzalez@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Paragraph 19.11(e)(1) of title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), states that licensees shall prominently post the most recent version of NRC Form 3, "Notice to Employees" within 30 days of receiving the revised NRC Form 3 from the Commission. In a 1997 rulemaking, 10 CFR 19.11 was amended to incorporate a reference to the latest version of NRC Form 3. This eliminated the need to revise the CFR whenever NRC Form 3 is changed, which had been the previous practice. The final rule published on September 15, 1997

(62 FR 48165) indicated that the NRC would inform licensees of future changes to NRC Form 3 by an administrative letter, and, in addition, the availability of any new versions would be noticed in the **Federal Register**. Administrative letters were a type of generic communication issued to inform addressees of specific regulatory or administrative information but were discontinued in September 1999. As such, in lieu of an administrative letter, this revision and future revisions will be publicized through an alternative electronic means (e.g., website notice, social networking service, etc.) to alert all licensees of the new revisions, as well as in the **Federal Register**.

A new version of NRC Form 3 was issued in September 2024, to make a correction to Region III's mailing address. To view the current version of NRC Form 3 (09/2024), please go to <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/forms/index.html>. A Spanish language version of the form (NRC Form 3A) can also be found on the same site.

Dated: April 4, 2025.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

David Pelton,

Director, Office of Enforcement.

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OFFICE OF SPECIAL COUNSEL

Notice for Public Comment: OSC Annual Survey

AGENCY: U.S. Office of Special Counsel (OSC).

ACTION: Notice and request for public comment.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Office of Special Counsel is seeking approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for the reinstatement of an expired information collection request (ICR) under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA). OSC is statutorily required to conduct an annual survey assessing the effectiveness of its operations, including the handling of Prohibited Personnel Practice (PPP) complaints, whistleblower disclosures, and enforcement efforts. The collection gathers feedback from individuals who have sought OSC's assistance.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before June 9, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments to:

—By mail: Barbara Wheeler Jones, U.S. Office of Special Counsel, 1730 M

Street NW, Suite 218, Washington, DC 20036.

—By email: frliaison@osc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Hnin Khaing, Senior Litigation Counsel, at (202) 804–7000 or via email at frliaison@osc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: OSC is an independent agency responsible for investigating allegations of prohibited personnel practices (PPPs) under 5 U.S.C. 2302(b), protecting whistleblowers, enforcing certain federal employment laws under titles 5 and 38 of the U.S. Code, and overseeing compliance with the Hatch Act regarding political activities. Pursuant to section 13 of Public Law 103–424 (1994) (5 U.S.C. 1212 note), OSC is required to conduct an annual survey to evaluate its services. Specifically, the survey must:

1. Determine whether individuals seeking OSC's assistance were fully informed of their rights;
2. Assess whether individuals achieved success either at OSC or the Merit Systems Protection Board (MSPB); and

3. Evaluate the level of satisfaction of individuals with the treatment received from OSC, regardless of the outcome.

This annual survey consists of four electronic questionnaires with up to 12 questions each, targeting individuals who have:

- Filed a complaint or disclosure with OSC, or
- Requested an advisory opinion from the Hatch Act Unit. The survey assesses:
- Timeliness and clarity of OSC communications;
- The types of claims submitted and their review status;
- Resolution outcomes; and
- Overall satisfaction with OSC's processes.

OSC publishes the survey results annually in its report to Congress. Prior annual reports are available at www.osc.gov or by calling (202) 804–7000. The prior OMB-approved survey (OMB Control Number 3255–0003) expired on September 30, 2024.

To comply with statutory requirements, OSC must complete the review of survey responses before the end of fiscal year 2025. Timely data collection is essential to OSC's mission and reporting obligations to Congress.

Type of Review: Reinstatement of a previously approved information collection.

Title: OSC Annual Survey.

OMB Control Number: 3255–0003.

Affected Public: Individuals or their representatives who sought OSC's services.