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If a person other than Mr. Michael Hackett requests a hearing, that person

shall set forth with particularity the manner in which his interest is adversely affected by this Order and shall address the criteria set forth in 10 CFR 2.309(d) and (f).

If the hearing is requested by a person whose interest is adversely affected, the Commission will issue an Order designating the time and place of any hearing. If a hearing is held, the issue to be considered at such hearing shall be whether this Confirmatory Order should be sustained.

In the absence of any request for hearing, or written approval of an extension of time in which to request a hearing, the provisions specified in Section V above shall be final 20 days from the date this Order is published in the **Federal Register** without further order or proceedings. If an extension of time for requesting a hearing has been approved, the provisions specified in Section V shall be final when the extension expires, if a hearing request has not been received. *A request for hearing shall not stay the immediate effectiveness of this order.*

Dated this 28th day of July 2009.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Mark A. Satorius,

Regional Administrator, Region III.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2009-0345]

Draft Regulatory Guide: Issuance, Availability

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of Issuance and Availability of Draft Regulatory Guide, DG-5034, "Protection of Safeguards Information."

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing for public comment a draft guide in the agency's "Regulatory Guide" series. This series was developed to describe and make available to the public such information as methods that are acceptable to the NRC staff for implementing specific parts of the NRC's regulations, techniques that the staff uses in

evaluating specific problems or postulated accidents, and data that the staff needs in its review of applications for permits and licenses.

The draft regulatory guide (DG), entitled, "Protection of Safeguards Information," is temporarily identified by its task number, DG-5034, which should be mentioned in all related correspondence. DG-5034 will be a new regulatory guide. Title 10, section 73.21, "Protection of Safeguards Information: Performance Requirements," of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR 73.21) requires, in part, that each licensee, certificate holder, applicant, or other person who produces, receives, or acquires Safeguards Information (SGI) shall ensure that it is protected against unauthorized disclosure.

This guide describes a method that the staff of the NRC considers acceptable to implement the general performance requirements specified in 10 CFR 73.21(a)(i) and (ii) that establish, implement, and maintain an information protection system that includes the applicable measures for SGI specified in 10 CFR 73.22, "Protection of Safeguards Information: Specific Requirements," or 10 CFR 73.23, "Protection of Safeguards Information—Modified Handling: Specific Requirements." This guide applies to all licensees, certificate holders, applicants, or other persons who produce, receive, or acquire SGI (including SGI with the designation or marking: "Safeguards Information—Modified Handling" (SGI-M)).

The guidance and criteria contained in this document pertain to the protection of SGI as defined in 10 CFR part 73, "Physical Protection of Plants and Materials." It is intended to assist licensees and other persons who produce, receive, or acquire SGI to establish an information protection system that addresses (1) Information to be protected, (2) conditions for access, (3) protection while in use or storage, (4) preparing and marking documents or other matter, (5) reproduction of matter containing SGI, (6) external transmission of documents and material, (7) processing SGI on electronic systems, (8) removal from the SGI category, and (9) destruction of matter containing SGI.

II. Further Information

The NRC staff is soliciting comments on DG-5034. Comments may be accompanied by relevant information or supporting data and should mention DG-5034 in the subject line.

Comments submitted in writing or in electronic form will be made available to the public in their entirety through

the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS).

Because your comments will not be edited to remove any identifying or contact information, the NRC cautions you against including any information in your submission that you do not want to be publicly disclosed.

The NRC requests that any party soliciting or aggregating comments received from other persons for submission to the NRC inform those persons that the NRC will not edit their comments to remove any identifying or contact information, and therefore, they should not include any information in their comments that they do not want publicly disclosed. You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

1. *Mail comments to:* Rulemaking and Directives Branch, Mail Stop: TWB-05-B01M, Division of Administrative Services, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

2. *Federal e-Rulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for documents filed under Docket ID [NRC-2009-0345]. Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher, 301-492-3668; e-mail Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov.

3. *Fax comments to:* Rulemaking and Directives Branch, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission at (301) 492-3446.

Requests for technical information about DG-5034 may be directed to the NRC contact, Robert Norman at (301) 415-2278 or e-mail to

Robert.Norman@nrc.gov.

Comments would be most helpful if received by October 1, 2009. Comments received after that date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the NRC is able to ensure consideration only for comments received on or before this date. Although a time limit is given, comments and suggestions in connection with items for inclusion in guides currently being developed or improvements in all published guides are encouraged at any time.

Electronic copies of DG-5034 are available through the NRC's public Web site under Draft Regulatory Guides in the "Regulatory Guides" collection of the NRC's Electronic Reading Room at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/>. Electronic copies are also available in ADAMS (<http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>), under Accession No. ML090930608.

In addition, regulatory guides are available for inspection at the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR) located at 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville,

Maryland. The PDR's mailing address is USNRC PDR, Washington, DC 20555-0001. The PDR can also be reached by telephone at (301) 415-4737 or (800) 397-4205, by fax at (301) 415-3548, and by e-mail to pdr.resource@nrc.gov.

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Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 30th day of July, 2009.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

John N. Ridgely,

Acting Chief, Regulatory Guide Development Branch, Division of Engineering, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact for License Amendment to Byproduct Materials License No. 06-00253-04 for Amendment of the License and Unrestricted Release of the Hartford Hospital's Research Facilities in Hartford, CT

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Issuance of Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact for License Amendment.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is considering the issuance of a license amendment to Byproduct Materials License No. 06-00253-04. This license is held by Hartford Hospital (the Licensee), for, in part, Surgical Research on the second floor of the Crane-East Building, Medical Research on the third floor of the Crane-East Building, Animal Care and Research on the fourth floor of the Crane-East Building, Immunochimistry Research on the third floor of the Bliss Wing, and Special Hematology Research on the third floor of the High Building (the Facility), located at 80 Seymour

Street in Hartford, Connecticut. Issuance of the amendment would authorize release of the Facility for unrestricted use. The Licensee requested this action in a letter dated March 28, 2008. The NRC has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) in support of this proposed action in accordance with the requirements of Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 51 (10 CFR Part 51). Based on the EA, the NRC has concluded that a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) is appropriate with respect to the proposed action. The amendment will be issued to the Licensee following the publication of this FONSI and EA in the **Federal Register**.

II. Environmental Assessment

Identification of Proposed Action

The proposed action would approve the Licensee's March 28, 2008 license amendment request, resulting in release of the Facility for unrestricted use. License No. 06-00253-04 was issued on October 11, 1956, pursuant to 10 CFR Part 30, and has been amended periodically since that time. This license authorized the Licensee to use, in part, unsealed byproduct material for purposes of conducting research and development activities on laboratory bench tops and in hoods.

The Facility consists of office space and laboratories located in three buildings. The Facility is located in a commercial area. Within the Facility, use of licensed materials was confined to 13,350 square feet in the Crane—East Building, 2,400 square feet in the Bliss Wing, and 210 square feet in the High Building.

In July 2002, the Licensee ceased licensed activities and initiated a survey and decontamination of the Facility. Based on the Licensee's historical knowledge of the site and the conditions of the Facility, the Licensee determined that only routine decontamination activities, in accordance with their NRC-approved, operating radiation safety procedures, were required. The Licensee was not required to submit a decommissioning plan to the NRC because worker cleanup activities and procedures are consistent with those approved for routine operations. The Licensee conducted surveys of the Facility and provided information to the NRC to demonstrate that it meets the criteria in Subpart E of 10 CFR Part 20 for unrestricted release.

Need for the Proposed Action

The Licensee has ceased conducting licensed activities at the Facility, and seeks the unrestricted use of its Facility.