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Draft Regulatory Guide: Issuance, Availability

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory
Commission.

ACTION: Notice of issuance and
availability of Draft Regulatory Guide,
DG-8040, "Health Physics Surveys
During Enriched Uranium-235
Processing and Fuel Fabrication."

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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) is
temporarily identified by its task
number, DG-8040, which should be
mentioned in all related
correspondence. DG-8040 is proposed
Revision 2 of Regulatory Guide 8.24,
dated October 1979. This guide specifies
the types and frequencies of surveys
that are acceptable to the staff of the
NRC for the protection of workers in
plants licensed by the NRC to process
enriched uranium and fabricate
uranium fuel.

Title 10, Section 20.1501(a), of the
Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR
20.1501(a)) requires that each licensee
make or cause to be made such surveys
as may be necessary for it to comply
with the regulations in that part. As

used in 10 CFR Part 20, "Standards for
Protection Against Radiation," the term
"survey" refers to an evaluation of the
radiation hazards incident to the
production, use, release, disposal, or
presence of radioactive materials or
other sources of radiation under a
specific set of conditions.

This guide does not relate to the
processing of uranium-233, nor does it
deal specifically with the following
aspects of an acceptable occupational
health physics program that are closely
related to surveys: (1) The number and
qualification of the health physics staff,
(2) instrumentation, including types,
numbers of instruments, limitations of
use, accuracy, and calibration, (3)
personnel dosimetry, and (4) bioassay.
Guidance on bioassay for uranium
appears in Regulatory Guide 8.11,
"Applications of Bioassay for Uranium."

II. Further Information

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Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 10th day
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For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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