



MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 16, 2018

TO: Mississippi Radioactive Material Licensees

FROM: B. J. Smith, Director
Division of Radiological Health

RE: Modifications to Mississippi Regulations for Control of Radiation

Mississippi Code Annotated §45-14-7 provides authority for the State Board of Health to adopt, amend, promulgate, and enforce rules, regulations, and standards with respect to radiation sources in the State of Mississippi. The Division of Radiological Health has proposed modifications to the Mississippi Regulations for Control of Radiation for Subchapters 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 10, 12, 13, 14, and adding Subchapters 16 through 22.

The changes to these Regulations are needed to be compatible with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Agreement State program. Mississippi is an Agreement State that must be compatible with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. State regulations must be compatible with NRC Regulations. NRC revises their regulations from time to time, requiring Agreement States to revise their regulations in a three (3) year interval.

Due to the volume of the changes in these regulations we have placed the amendments on the agency website at <https://msdh.ms.gov/page/30,0,102,60.html> for your review. The Mississippi State Department of Health has adopted by reference the sections in 10 Code of Federal Regulations as they currently exist and as amended from time to time. As an example, with the exceptions outlined in the regulations, any reference to the NRC will be replaced by the Division of Radiological Health.

These amendments were filed with the Secretary of State and become enforceable on February 17, 2018.