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NRC WORKSHOPS IN D.C., LOS ANGELES, AND HOUSTON TO DISCUSS POTENTIAL CHANGES TO RADIATION PROTECTION REGULATIONS

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission will host three public meetings to solicit comments on potential changes to the agency's radiation protection regulations and guidance in light of recommendations of the International Commission on Radiological Protection (ICRP).

The first workshop will be held Oct. 25-27 in Silver Spring, Md. The second will be held Nov. 3-4 in Los Angeles, and the third will be held Nov. 8-9 in Houston. Each day's sessions will run from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The meetings will be in the form of facilitated roundtable discussions, and members of the public will have several opportunities to provide comments and ask questions.

The ICRP's recommendations on radiation protection were published in December 2007. The NRC has not initiated rulemaking on any changes, but is seeking public comment on the benefits and impacts of options to be considered in deciding whether to update its regulations.

Details on the workshops and other ways to submit comments are contained in a *Federal Register* notice published Sept. 27, available on the NRC website at <http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2010/pdf/2010-24137.pdf>. Details on the workshop venues and how to register to attend are at <http://www.blsm meetings.net/c1001/index.cfm>.

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