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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1.	Notifying Member: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) [2340]
3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], 3.2 [], 7.2 [], Other:
4.	Products covered (HS codes or national tariff lines. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Packages for the transport of radioactive material, including Type B packages, fissile material packages, radioactive material transport casks, certified transport packages, and associated package lifting and tie-down systems; Articles of iron or steel, n.e.s. (excl. cast articles) (HS code(s): 7326); Containers (including containers for the transport of fluids) specially designed and equipped for carriage by one or more modes of transport. (HS code(s): 8609); Transport (ICS code(s): 03.220); Protection against dangerous goods (ICS code(s): 13.300); Other standards related to nuclear energy (ICS code(s): 27.120.99)
5.	Details of notified document(s) (title, number of pages and languages, means of access): Modernizing Package Certification Requirements; (13 page(s), in English) Link to notified document(s) and/or contact details for agency or authority which can provide copies upon request: https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/TBT/USA/26_03973_00_e.pdf
6.	Description of content: Proposed rule; request for comments - The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is proposing to amend its regulations governing the packaging and transportation of radioactive material. This proposed action is responsive to several executive orders and the NRC's mission to enable the safe and secure use of nuclear materials in an efficient and reliable manner. The proposed amendments would establish voluntary provisions to provide greater flexibility for applicants by introducing risk-informed methodologies for demonstrating safety requirements and by providing an alternative radiation standard for approval of Type B packages for certain exclusive use shipments. The proposed rule would streamline application processes for package approval, remove unnecessary requirements, and clarify existing provisions.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health or safety; Protection of the environment

8. Relevant documents:

91 Federal Register (FR) 46869, 27 July 2026; [Title 10 Code of Federal Regulations \(CFR\) Part 71](#):

<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2026-07-27/html/2026-15117.htm>

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This proposed rule; request for comment is identified by Docket Number NRC-2025-1667. The Docket Folder is available on Regulations.gov at <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/NRC-2025-1667/document> and provides access to primary documents as well as comments received. Documents are also accessible from [Regulations.gov](#) by searching the Docket Number.

9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determined

Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined

10. Provision of comments

Final date for comments: 26 August 2026

[] 60 days from notification

WTO Members and their stakeholders are asked to submit comments to the [USA TBT Enquiry Point](#) by or before [4pm Eastern Time](#) on 26 August 2026. Comments received by the USA TBT Enquiry Point from WTO Members and their stakeholders will be shared with the NRC and will also be submitted to the [Docket](#) on Regulations.gov if received within the comment period.

Contact details of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification:

Please submit comments to: USA WTO TBT Enquiry Point, Email: usatbtep@nist.gov