

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PROPOSED AMENDMENTS
TO GEORGIA'S RULES FOR RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS
CHAPTER 391-3-17

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the authority set forth below, the Environmental Protection Division (hereinafter, "EPD") of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources proposes Amendments to Georgia's Rules for Radioactive Materials, Chapter 391-3-17 (hereinafter, "the proposed Radioactive Materials Rule Amendments"). The Director of EPD certifies that the revisions to rules 391-3-17-.01, 391-3-17-.02, 391-3-17-.03, 391-3-17-.04, 391-3-17-.05, and 391-3-17-.06 and addition of 391-3-17-.12 are required to comply with section 274 of the Atomic Energy Act. The proposed Radioactive Materials Rule Amendments and Addition are described below:

Rule 391-3-17-.01, "General Provisions," is being amended to ensure the consistency of the rule with the requirements of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Rule 391-3-17-.02, "Licensing of Radioactive Material," is being amended to ensure the consistency of the rule with the requirements of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Rule 391-3-17-.03, "Standards For Protection Against Radiation," is being amended to ensure the consistency of the rule with the requirements of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Rule 391-3-17-.04, "Special Radiation Safety Requirements for Industrial Radiographic Operations," is being amended to ensure the consistency of the rule with the requirements of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Rule 391-3-17-.05, "Use of Radionuclides in the Healing Arts," is being amended to ensure the consistency of the rule with the requirements of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Rule 391-3-17-.06, "Transportation of Radioactive Material," is being revised to ensure the consistency of the rule with the requirements of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Rule 391-3-17-.12, "Licenses and Radiation Safety Requirements for Well Logging," is being added to establish the licensing and radiation safety requirements for well logging in the State of Georgia and to ensure the consistency of the rule with the requirements of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

This notice, together with an exact copy of the proposed Radioactive Materials Rule Amendments, a synopsis, and a statement of rationale of the rule revisions, is being provided to all persons who have requested in writing that they be placed on a notification list. These documents may be viewed at <http://environet.dnr.state.ga.us/17/> or during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Georgia Environmental Protection Division, Air Protection Branch, 4244 International Parkway, Suite 120, Atlanta, Georgia 30354. Copies may also be requested by contacting the Air Protection Branch at 404/363-7000 or the Environmental Protection Division Director's Office at 1-888-373-5947.

To provide the public an opportunity to comment upon and provide input into the proposed Radioactive Materials Rule Amendments, a public hearing will be held at 3:30 p.m. on December 4, 2014, in the EPD Training Center located at 4244 International Parkway, Suite 116, Atlanta, Georgia 30354. At the hearing, anyone may present data, make a statement, comment, or offer a viewpoint or argument either orally or in writing. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously-recorded messages, must be submitted in writing for the official record. Oral statements should be concise.

Written comments are welcomed. To insure their inclusion in EPD's package for the Board of Natural Resources, written comments should be received by close of business on December 8, 2014. Written comments may be emailed to EPDComments@dnr.state.ga.us or sent via regular mail addressed to: Branch Chief, Air Protection Branch, 4244 International Parkway, Suite 120, Atlanta, Georgia, 30354.

The proposed Radioactive Materials Rule Amendments will be considered for adoption by the Board of Natural Resources at its meeting at 9:00 a.m. on January 13, 2015, in the DNR Board Room located at 2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Suite 1252, East Tower, Atlanta, Georgia 30334. The meeting is open to the public.

The proposed Radioactive Materials Rule Amendments are proposed for adoption pursuant to authority contained in O.C.G.A. Section 31-13-1, et seq., Georgia Radiation Control Act. For further information, contact the Air Protection Branch at 404/363-7000.