

**NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

**10 CFR Parts 9 and 35**

**[NRC-2018-0303]**

**RIN 3150-AK27**

**Social Security Number Fraud Prevention**

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Direct final rule; confirmation of effective date.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is confirming the effective date of August 17, 2020, for the direct final rule that was published in the *Federal Register* on June 2, 2020. This direct final rule amends the NRC's regulations to comply with the Social Security Number Fraud Prevention Act, signed on September 15, 2017.

**DATES: Effective date:** The effective date of August 17, 2020, for the direct final rule published June 2, 2020 (85 FR 33527), is confirmed.

**ADDRESSES:** Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2018-0303 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information for this action. You may obtain publicly-available information related to this action by any of the following methods:

- **Federal Rulemaking Web Site:** Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2018-0303. Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher; telephone: 301-415-3463; e-mail: [Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov](mailto:Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov). For technical

questions, contact the individual listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this document.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On June 2, 2020 (85 FR 33527), the NRC published a direct final rule amending its regulations in parts 9 and 35 of title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* to specify when inclusion of an individual's Social Security account number (SSN) is necessary, include instructions for the partial redaction of SSNs, where feasible, and provide a requirement that SSNs not be visible on the outside of any package sent through the mail.

In the direct final rule, the NRC stated that if no significant adverse comments were received, the direct final rule would become effective on August 17, 2020. The NRC received two comments from the public that supported the proposed changes to the regulations. Because no significant adverse comments were received, the direct final rule will become effective as scheduled.

Dated July 17, 2020.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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**SUBJECT: DIRECT FINAL RULE; CONFIRMATION OF EFFECTIVE DATE (SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER FRAUD PREVENTION (10 CFR PARTS 9 AND 35; [NRC-2018-0303]; RIN 3150-AK27)**

**DATED: July 17, 2020**

**ADAMS Accession Nos: **ML20199M213** (Confirmation FRN)**

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