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Construction Permit Application Review SHINE Medical Technologies

Safety Panel 1

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Licensing Considerations

- SHINE seeks to construct commercial non-power utilization and production facilities
- Licensing process similar to that of research and test reactors
- Developed technology-specific guidance for application review

Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) Review

- Staff presented at subcommittee and full committee meetings
- ACRS recommended issuance of construction permit
- Staff adequately addressed questions regarding aircraft impact and facility layup

Irradiation Unit Licensing

- Irradiation units represent first subcritical utilization facilities
- Staff considered licensing under 10 CFR Part 70
- Given similarities to non-power reactors, ultimately reviewed under 10 CFR Part 50

Irradiation Unit Design Features

- Thermal power level similar to non-power reactors
- Safety considerations include:
 - Fission heat removal
 - Decay heat generation
 - Fission gas release
 - Accident scenarios

Production Facility Licensing

- Production facility will process irradiated materials containing special nuclear material
- Similar to processes at existing fuel cycle facilities
- Staff used NUREG-1537 and Interim Staff Guidance

Proposed Permit Conditions

- Criticality accident alarm system
- Criticality events "not credible"
- Criticality safety analyses
- Reactivity contributions from fissile isotopes
- Radiation shielding and occupancy times

Acronyms

- NMSS Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards
- NRR Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation