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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT
DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND HEALTH
COMMISSION ON RADIATION PROTECTION**

Notice of Readoption

Radiation Protection Programs

Readoption: N.J.A.C. 7:28

Authority: N.J.S.A. 13:1B-1 et seq., 13:1D-1 et seq., and 26:2D-1 et seq.

Authorized By: Bob Martin, Commissioner, Department of Environmental Protection,
and Julie Timins, Chairperson, Commission on Radiation Protection

Effective Date: May 9, 2013

New Expiration Date: May 9, 2020

Take notice that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1, the Radiation Protection Program rules at N.J.A.C. 7:28 are readopted and shall continue in effect for a seven-year period.

The rules had been scheduled to expire on June 21, 2013. The Department of Environmental Protection (Department) and the Commission on Radiation Protection (CORP) have reviewed these rules and have determined that the rules should be readopted because they are necessary, reasonable and proper for the purpose for which they were originally promulgated. In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1(c), timely filing of this notice extended the expiration date of the chapter seven years from the date of filing.

The rules implement the Radiation Protection Act, N.J.S.A. 26:2D-1 et seq. Through the Radiation Protection Act, as implemented by the Radiation Protection Programs rules, N.J.A.C. 7:28, New Jersey has a comprehensive radiation protection program encompassing x-ray machines, naturally occurring or accelerator produced radioactive materials (NARM), radon, clean-up of radioactively contaminated sites, monitoring around nuclear power plants, emergency preparedness and response to

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radiological incidents including transportation accidents, and requirements for non-ionizing sources of radiation. Additionally, there are requirements for licensure and certification of radiologic technologists, nuclear medicine technologists, radon testers and mitigators, and qualified medical physicists.

A proposal of amendments to the Radiation Protection Programs rules, N.J.A.C. 7:28, was published on April 15, 2013. (45 N.J.R. 806(a)) The proposed changes include amendments related to the State's participation in the Agreement State program, and the State's licensure and certification of radiologic technologists. Any further action on those proposed amendments would be the subject of a separate notice in the New Jersey Register.