of nuclear materials, equipment, or facilities, as specified under

subsection a.; and

"(3) provide justification that the Secretary has applied such regulation or order so as to protect from disclosure only the minimum amount of information necessary to protect the health and safety of the public or the common defense and security.".

STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS UNDER SECTION 275

Sec. 18. (a) Section 275 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 is amended—

42 USC 2022,

(1) by striking in subsection a. "one year after the date of enactment of this section" and substituting "October 1, 1982" and by adding the following at the end thereof: "After October 1, 1982, if the Administrator has not promulgated standards in final form under this subsection, any action of the Secretary of Energy under title I of the Uranium Mill Tailings Radiation Control Act of 1978 which is required to comply with, or be taken in accordance with, standards of the Administrator shall comply with, or be taken in accordance with, the standards proposed by the Administrator under this subsection until such time as the Administrator promulgates such standards in final form.":

42 USC 7911.

(2) by striking in subsection b. (1) "eighteen months after the enactment of this section, the Administrator shall, by rule, promulgate" and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "October 31, 1982, the Administrator shall, by rule, propose, and within 11 months thereafter promulgate in final form,";

Promulgation authority.

(3) by adding the following at the end of subsection b. (1): "If the Administrator fails to promulgate standards in final form under this subsection by October 1, 1983, the authority of the Administrator to promulgate such standards shall terminate, and the Commission may take actions under this Act without regard to any provision of this Act requiring such actions to comply with, or be taken in accordance with, standards promulgated by the Administrator. In any such case, the Commission shall promulgate, and from time to time revise, any such standards of general application which the Commission deems necessary to carry out its responsibilities in the conduct of its licensing activities under this Act. Requirements established by the Commission under this Act with respect to byproduct material as defined in section 11 e. (2) shall conform to such standards. Any requirements adopted by the Commission respecting such byproduct material before promulgation by the Commission of such standards shall be amended as the Commission deems necessary to conform to such standards in the same manner as provided in subsection f. (3). Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prohibit or suspend the implementation or enforcement by the Commission of any requirement of the Commission respecting byproduct material as defined in section 11 e. (2) pending promulgation by the Commission of any such standard of general application."

42 USC 2014.

the Commission respecting byproduct material as defined in section 11 e. (2) pending promulgation by the Commission of any such standard of general application.";

(4) by adding the following new subsection at the end thereof:

"f. (1) Prior to January 1, 1983, the Commission shall not implement or enforce the provisions of the Uranium Mill Licensing Requirements published as final rules at 45 Federal Register 65521

Uranium mili licensing requirement regulations.

Implementation enforcement.

to 65538 on October 3, 1980 (hereinafter in this subsection referred to as the 'October 3 regulations'). After December 31, 1982, the Commission is authorized to implement and enforce the provisions of such October 3 regulations (and any subsequent modifications or additions to such regulations which may be adopted by the Commission), except as otherwise provided in paragraphs (2) and (3) of this

Review, public comment, and suspension.

"(2) Following the proposal by the Administrator of standards under subsection b., the Commission shall review the October 3 regulations, and, not later than 90 days after the date of such proposal, suspend implementation and enforcement of any provision of such regulations which the Commission determines after notice and opportunity for public comment to require a major action or major commitment by licensees which would be unnecessary if—

"(A) the standards proposed by the Administrator are promulgated in final form without modification, and

"(B) the Commission's requirements are modified to conform

to such standards.

Such suspension shall terminate on the earlier of April 1, 1984 or the date on which the Commission amends the October 3 regulations to conform to final standards promulgated by the Administrator under subsection b. During the period of such suspension, the Commission shall continue to regulate byproduct material (as defined in section 11 e. (2)) under this Act on a licensee-by-licensee basis as the Commission deems necessary to protect public health, safety, and the environment.

"(3) Not later than 6 months after the date on which the Administrator promulgates final standards pursuant to subsection b. of this section, the Commission shall, after notice and opportunity for public comment, amend the October 3 regulations, and adopt such modifications, as the Commission deems necessary to conform to such final standards of the Administrator.

'(4) Nothing in this subsection may be construed as affecting the authority or responsibility of the Commission under section 84 to promulgate regulations to protect the public health and safety and the environment."

Remedial action. 42 USC 7918.

Ante, p. 2077; post, p. 2080.

42 USC 2114.

(b)(1) Section 108(a) of the Uranium Mill Tailings Radiation Control Act of 1978 is amended by adding the following new paragraph

at the end thereof:

"(3) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2) of this subsection, after October 31, 1982, if the Administrator has not promulgated standards under section 275 a. of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 in final form by such date, remedial action taken by the Secretary under this title shall comply with the standards proposed by the Administrator under such section 275 a. until such time as the Administrator promulgates the standards in final form."

(2) The second sentence of section 108(a)(2) of the Uranium Mill

Tailings Radiation Control Act of 1978 is repealed.

AGREEMENT STATES

42 USC 2021.

Sec. 19. (a) Section 274 o. of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 is amended by adding the following at the end thereof: "In adopting requirements pursuant to paragraph (2) of this subsection with respect to sites at which ores are processed primarily for their source material content or which are used for the disposal of byproduct material as defined in section 11 e. (2), the State may

42 USC 2014.

adopt alternatives (including, where appropriate, site-specific alternatives) to the requirements adopted and enforced by the Commission for the same purpose if, after notice and opportunity for public hearing, the Commission determines that such alternatives will achieve a level of stabilization and containment of the sites concerned, and a level of protection for public health, safety, and the environment from radiological and nonradiological hazards associated with such sites, which is equivalent to, to the extent practicable, or more stringent than the level which would be achieved by standards and requirements adopted and enforced by the Commission for the same purpose and any final standards promulgated by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency in accordance with section 275. Such alternative State requirements may take into account local or regional conditions, including geology, topography, hydrology and meteorology.".

(b) Section 204(h)(3) of the Uranium Mill Tailings Radiation Con-

(b) Section 204(h)(3) of the Uranium Mill Tailings Radiation Control Act of 1978 is amended by inserting the following before the period at the end thereof: ": Provided, however, That, in the case of a State which has exercised any authority under State law pursuant to an agreement entered into under section 274 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, the State authority over such byproduct material may be terminated, and the Commission authority over such material may be exercised, only after compliance by the Commission with the same procedures as are applicable in the case of termination of agreements under section 274 j. of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954."

AMENDMENT TO SECTION 84

SEC. 20. Section 84 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 is amended by adding the following at the end thereof:

"c. In the case of sites at which ores are processed primarily for their source material content or which are used for the disposal of byproduct material as defined in section 11 e. (2), a licensee may propose alternatives to specific requirements adopted and enforced by the Commission under this Act. Such alternative proposals may take into account local or regional conditions, including geology, topography, hydrology and meteorology. The Commission may treat such alternatives as satisfying Commission requirements if the Commission determines that such alternatives will achieve a level of stabilization and containment of the sites concerned, and a level of protection for public health, safety, and the environment from radiological and nonradiological hazards associated with such sites, which is equivalent to, to the extent practicable, or more stringent than the level which would be achieved by standards and requirements adopted and enforced by the Commission for the same purpose and any final standards promulgated by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency in accordance with section 275."

EDGEMONT

SEC. 21. Section 102(e) of the Uranium Mill Tailings Radiation Control Act of 1978 is amended by adding the following at the end thereof:

"(3) The Secretary shall designate as a processing site within the meaning of section 101(6) any real property, or improvements thereon, in Edgemont, South Dakota, that—

42 USC 2022.

42 USC 2021 note.

42 USC 2021.

Alternative proposals by licensees. 42 USC 2114.

42 USC 2014.

42 USC 2022.

42 USC 7912.

42 USC 7911.