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COMPUTER UPGRADES TO SUPPORT THE U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY  
COMMISSION (NRC) ON-SITE REPRESENTATIVE'S (OR) OFFICE  
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The Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management is presently implementing programs that result in cost reductions. We recently developed a new database that contains all of our procedures. The Yucca Mountain Site Characterization Office (YMSCO) staff has access to the database, which produces an on-line electronically controlled copy of all program procedures.

We would like to offer the ORs the ability to access this information. In addition to current copies of procedures, they could also access other U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) documents in publicly available databases, such as audit and surveillance schedules, the Requirements Traceability Network, and other information.

NRC will need to provide the OR office with equipment capable of running current versions of Windows and Internet in order to access these new databases. These items are relatively inexpensive and easy to install. YMSCO contract support personnel can be made available to assist in the installation of these systems. The cost-savings and administrative efficiencies to be gained by adding these upgrades to their computer system should be recognized. The initial cost of purchasing the upgrades will be offset by the time saved in filing documents and their revisions.

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We see the role of the ORs increasing during this period of budget constraints and the need for faster information exchange. These upgrades in the OR office computer system will result in improved communication between DOE and NRC.

Presently, DOE/YMSCO is planning on moving its office to Summerlin in the northwest area of Las Vegas, Nevada, during March 1996. There appears to be space available in the building for the ORs and their support staff. Having DOE and NRC in the same building has logistical advantages. If this arrangement is of interest, please let us know.

If you have any questions, please contact Robert G. Hawe at (702) 794-7967. Hardware and software questions can be directly referred to John G. Gandi at (702) 794-7954.



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