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NON-NNWSI PROJECT GENERATED DATA STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE (SOP)

During the recent Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) site visits, a number of issues were identified for further discussion between the Project Office and NRC staffs. One such issue concerned the use of data that was not generated under an approved Project Office QA Plan. Project QA and participant technical personnel developed a draft Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) that will provide direction to program participants. This SOP details the method for acceptance of data generated by NNWSI Project Participants, predecessor organizations, or sub-contractors prior to the issuance of a NNWSI QA Plan or data or interpretation from a technical journal which a NNWSI Project participant would like to use.

One participating organization identified other potential sources of non-NNWSI project generated data that Principal Investigators might want to use such as unpublished data, Ph.D. theses, and the like. The draft SOP does not address these additional sources of data. On March 1, 1985, we are reconvening the QA and participant technical staff to consider expanding the scope of this draft SOP. We have two requests. First, the use of data or interpretations from technical journals was one of the written questions posed to the NRC during the Project visit during December 1984. We would appreciate having the NRC response to that question prior to the March 1, 1985, meeting. In addition, we are inviting NRC observers to this meeting so they may know firsthand of any proposed expansion of the SOP's scope to include other sources of data. We feel NRC observation will promote a better understanding of the NNWSI Project QA program direction.

If you have any questions or need any assistance, please call J. Blaylock on FTS 575-1125.

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