Handling and Protection of Physical Protection Information Related to the Security of Radioactive Material Quantities of Concern

Licensees shall protect its physical protection information from unauthorized disclosure and control access to its physical protection information to those persons who have established the need to know the information, and are considered to be trustworthy and reliable. The sensitive physical protection information to be protected includes: information describing specific measures generated by the licensee in response to the protective measures including licensee's security plans and procedures for the physical protection of the radioactive material covered under this Order. Such information is referred to as "physical protection information." A need to know means a determination, by a person having responsibility for protecting the licensee's physical protection Information, that a proposed recipient's access to the licensee's physical protection information is necessary in the performance of official, contractual, or licensee duties of employment.

Licensees shall develop, maintain and implement policies and procedures for controlling access to, and proper handling and protection against unauthorized disclosure of, its physical protection information for radioactive material covered by this Order. The licensee's policies and procedures necessary to ensure compliance must address, at a minimum, the following: (1) the general performance requirement that each person who produces, receives, or acquires the licensee's physical protection Information shall ensure that the licensee's physical protection information is protected against unauthorized disclosure; (2) the protection of physical protection information about radioactive material use, storage, and transit; (3) correspondence containing the licensee's physical protection information; (4) access to the licensee's physical protection information; (5) preparation, marking, reproduction and destruction of documents containing physical protection information; (6) external transmission of documents containing physical protection information; (7) use of automatic data processing systems containing physical protection information; and (8) removal from the licensee's physical protection information category.