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ALL AGREEMENT STATES, MINNESOTA, PENNSYLVANIA

OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON FINAL RULE: NATIONAL SOURCE TRACKING (STP-06- 002)

The United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) plans to adopt a rule establishing the regulatory foundation for a National Source Tracking System for both NRC and Agreement State licensees. The final rule will require licensees (NRC and Agreement State) to report, to the National Source Tracking System, the manufacture, transfer, receipt, disassembly, and disposal of nationally tracked sources. The Agreement States were previously provided an opportunity to comment on the proposed rule on National Source Tracking, which was published for public comment on July 28, 2005.

A draft Federal Register notice (FRN) containing the final rule is posted for your review and comment at the Agreement State area of the NRC's Technical Conference Forum: http://techconf.llnl.gov/cgi-states/topics. **Please note that this is predecisional information provided for your review, and should not be released to the public**. The final rule was developed by a Rulemaking Working Group and Steering Committee with State representatives on each group.

Due to its predecisional nature, the draft is exempt from public disclosure under NRC rules. Therefore, we request that you limit distribution to your staff and not release the draft publicly. Please see the Office of State and Tribal Programs web page at http://www.hsrd.ornl.gov/nrc/procedures/sa800.pdf for additional information about the distribution and use of predecisional information. If the draft is released, please inform me or the contact named below within 24 hours.

Please provide any comments you have on the final rule directly to the NMSS contact below by **February 3, 2006**.*

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