# CONFERENCE CALL SUMMARY WITH KENTUCKY

DATE OF CALL: May 1, 2006

#### ATTENDEES:

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# BACKGROUND:

Subsequent to the July 2005 Kentucky Periodic Meeting, a Management Review Board was held on October 17, 2005. The Management Review Board requested quarterly conference calls be conducted between the appropriate Kentucky and NRC staffs to monitor the State's performance. This is the second monitoring conference call.

#### STATUS OF PROGRAM:

Kentucky's progress on the following performance indicators was discussed; Staffing and Training, Status of Inspections, Compatibility Requirements, Incidents and Allegations, and Sealed Source & Device Program. The Program reported that one staff member will be leaving the program due to promotion. They will be posting two positions to cover the loss of staff reported during this and the previous conference call on February 13, 2006. Methods of solicitation for candidates were discussed. An increase of salary (10%) is currently before the State personnel board and is expected to be approved in mid- May 2006. A contract is currently pending for an individual to work on regulations for the Program.

The number of overdue core inspections has decreased from 26 to 19. The Program reported that they are expecting to complete the remaining 19 inspections by November or December 2006. They are also going to begin security inspections for those licensees that come under increased controls in June 2006. They have 20 licensees to inspect, most of which are radiographers or well-loggers. Three staff members will be attending the security training provided by the NRC. NRC noted that the Program is completing tasks necessary to properly implement Increased Controls requirements within the state.

The Program has hired a person to conduct sealed source and device (SS&D) reviews on a part-time basis (0.5 FTE). This individual recently completed SS&D training in Atlanta and will receive on-the-job training by a contractor beginning in July 2006.

### **NEXT PERIODIC MEETING:**

The next periodic meeting is scheduled for July 6, 2006 at 1 p.m.