

April 25, 2007

MEMORANDUM TO: Luis A. Reyes
Executive Director for Operations

FROM: Stephen D. Dingbaum **/RA/**
Assistant Inspector General for Audits

SUBJECT: STATUS OF RECOMMENDATIONS: MEMORANDUM
REPORT: AUDIT OF NRC'S NUCLEAR MATERIAL
EVENTS DATABASE (OIG-07-A-11)

REFERENCE: DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR MATERIALS,
WASTE, RESEARCH, STATE, TRIBAL, AND
COMPLIANCE PROGRAMS MEMORANDUM DATED
APRIL 13, 2007

Attached is the Office of the Inspector General analysis and status of the recommendations as discussed in the agency's response dated April 13, 2007. Based on this response, all recommendations are now resolved. Please provide an updated status of the resolved recommendations by November 30, 2007.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at 415-5915 or Tony Lipuma at 415-5910.

Attachment: As stated

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Audit Report

Audit of NRC's Nuclear Materials Event Database OIG-07-A-11

Status of Recommendations

Recommendation 1: The Office of the Inspector General (OIG) recommends that the staff develop and implement written procedures for the operation of the Fuel Cycle Nuclear Material Events Database (FCNMED) to ensure that a mechanism is available for appropriate staff to share and access data on Category I fuel cycle facilities.

Agency
Response Dated
April 13, 2007:

Agree. As part of the larger effort to address new roles and responsibilities resulting from the 2006 reorganization of the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS), the staff will develop and implement written procedures for accessing and using data in the FCNMED system. Implementation will include training on new procedures, access controls, and periodic reports on the data recorded. Actions will be completed by October 31, 2007.

OIG Analysis: The proposed corrective action addresses the intent of OIG's recommendation. Recommendation 1 will be closed when NRC provides evidence that it has fully developed and implemented written procedures for the operation of the Fuel Cycle Nuclear Material Events Database (FCNMED).

Status: Resolved.

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Status of Recommendations

Recommendation 2: OIG recommends that the staff appoint an official coordinator, responsible for day-to-day oversight of FCNMED.

Agency
Response Dated
April 13, 2007:

Agree. As part of the reorganization noted above, NMSS will appoint an official event coordinator to work with the Regional Coordinator and the FCNMED Project Manager, now located in the Office of Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management Programs. The responsibilities of the coordinator will include collaboration with the FCNMED Project Manager on day-to-day oversight of FCNMED. Actions will be completed by October 31, 2007.

OIG Analysis: The proposed corrective action addresses the intent of OIG's recommendation. Recommendation 2 will be closed when NRC provides evidence that the staff has appointed an official coordinator, responsible for day-to-day oversight of FCNMED.

Status: Resolved.

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Status of Recommendations

Recommendation 3: OIG recommends that the staff conduct a quality assurance review of the FCNMED data to ensure that all pertinent data is included in the database.

Agency
Response Dated
April 13, 2007:

Agree. NMSS will conduct a quality assurance review of the FCNMED data. The FCNMED procedures will address periodic reviews in the future. Actions will be completed by October 31, 2007.

OIG Analysis: The proposed corrective action addresses the intent of OIG's recommendation. Recommendation 3 will be closed when NRC provides evidence that the staff has conducted a quality assurance review of the FCNMED data to ensure that all pertinent data is included in the database.

Status: Resolved.