

QUICK SCREENING PROCESS FOR DETERMINING THE PRESENCE OF SECURITY-RELATED CONTROLLED UNCLASSIFIED INFORMATION IN FUEL CYCLE-RELATED DOCUMENTS

Purpose:

The series of questions is designed to guide FCSS staff through a screening process to determine if a document contains any security-related information (SRI) that should be protected as sensitive unclassified non-Safeguards Information (SUNSI) - or SUNSI-SRI. NRC guidance on releasing documents to the public is contained in Management Directive (MD) 3.4, "Release of information to the Public".

NRC Classified Information Security and Safeguards information security must be handled in accordance with NRC MD's 12.1 thru 12-6.

This document can also be used by FCSS staff to redact Category 1 fuel facilities documents as required in Staff Requirements Memorandum SECY-07-0129, "Revisions to Policy Governing Public Availability of Information Associated with Category 1 Fuel Facilities" dated August 31, 2007, and to redact other fuel facilities documents which contain SUNSI information.

Scope:

This guidance relates only to information pertaining to domestic fuel cycle facilities regulated by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Background:

The criteria upon which this screening process is based are found in MD 3.4, and [NRC Regulatory Issue Summary 2005-031](#). Background information on the NRC's [SUNSI protection policies](#) can be found on the NRC Intranet web site. This page describes the background leading up to issuance of [NRC RIS 2005-026](#), which pertains to nuclear power reactors, and the subsequent issuance of NRC RIS 2005-031, which addresses the protection of SUNSI-SRI in the materials arena. Both of these RISs reflected the Commission's goal of maintaining openness balanced against the goal of protecting information that could be exploited by terrorists.

Screening Process:

This guidance assumes that the screener already will have read the document at least once and is sufficiently familiar with the content to be able to respond to the questions in the following guidance, relative to the nuclear material, design features, or other possibly sensitive information that is discussed in the document.

Enclosure

At various junctures, the screener may be able to conclude that the document does or does not contain SUNSI-SRI. At such a juncture, a determination regarding the document's SUNSI-SRI status would be made and no further screening would be necessary. However, if this guidance is being used to redact a SUNSI document, then the screener should proceed with the screening process until it is determined that no SUNSI information is contained in the document.

SUNSI Protection Requirements – Review:

NRC-mandated requirements for the protection of SUNSI are located on the NRC Intranet at <http://www.internal.nrc.gov/sunsi/security.html>. Until a document is determined not to contain SUNSI-SRI, authors should handle their documents as if they do contain SUNSI-SRI.

Screening Implementation:

START

1. ***What does the author of the document believe should be the categorization of the document?***

If the author believes the document does not contain SUNSI-SRI, or the author is unavailable, complete an independent review as described below.

If the author believes the document does contain SUNSI-SRI, perform a search of the document to locate the portion the author believes makes the document SUNSI-SRI. If the author is correct, END SCREENING - Document is SUNSI-SRI.

2. **Does the document contain information related to emergency planning, emergency response, Security plan, Safeguard plan an ISA or vulnerability study?**

Yes: END SCREENING – Document is SUNSI-SRI - make document NON-PUBLIC and protect accordingly

No: Continue

3. For CAT 1 facilities Only. Does the document contain information related to detailed effluent information that would allow an adversary to derive the processes being conducted in the facility? Effluent reports (such as 70.59 reports) that list specific isotopes released from specific stacks or other specific locations.

Yes: **END SCREENING – Document is SUNSI-SRI - make document NON-PUBLIC and protect accordingly**

No: Continue

4. *Does the document give the exact location (e.g., detailed floor plans, room numbers, cabinets, etc.) of areas not visible to the Public?*

Yes: **END SCREENING – Document is SUNSI-SRI - make document NON-PUBLIC and protect accordingly**

No: Continue

5. Does the document include process information that could potentially allow an adversary to gain

(1) Access to radioactive or hazardous materials; or

(2) Knowledge of detailed information or potential weaknesses of systems designed to ensure safe operations (necessary to prevent or mitigate accidents) at fuel cycle facilities?

Yes: **END SCREENING – Document is SUNSI-SRI - make document NON-PUBLIC and protect accordingly**

No: Continue

6. Does the document contain information related to facilities near the subject licensed facility that might reasonably be considered helpful to those who might plan an attack?

Yes: **END SCREENING – Document is SUNSI-SRI - make document NON-PUBLIC and protect accordingly**

No: Continue

7. For Greater than Critical Mass (GCM) facilities only. Is it considered public knowledge that GCM material is on site.

No: END SCREENING – Document is SUNSI-SRI - make document NON-PUBLIC and protect accordingly

Yes: Continue

8. Does the document contain information from assessments that include descriptions of structural features that are central to potential malevolent attacks?

Yes: END SCREENING – Document is SUNSI-SRI - make document NON-PUBLIC and protect accordingly

No: END SCREENING – Document is NOT SUNSI-SRI