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Topic areas for discussion during the meeting may include:

1. Status of the State's actions to address all open IMPEP review findings and/or open recommendations.

2. Strengths and/or weaknesses of the State's program as identified by the State or the NRC, including identification of actions that could diminish weaknesses.

3. Feedback on the NRC's program as identified by the State, including identification of any action that should be considered by the NRC.

4. Status of the State's program, including:

   a. Staffing and training:

      i) Number of staff in the program and status of their training and qualifications;
      ii) Program vacancies;
      iii) Staff turnover; and,
      iv) Adequacy of FTEs for the materials program.

   b. Materials inspection program:

      Discuss the status of the inspection program, including whether an inspection backlog exists and the steps being taken to work off backlog.

   c. Regulations and legislative changes:

      Discuss status of State's regulations and actions to keep regulations up to date, including the use of legally binding requirements.

   d. Program reorganizations:

      Discuss any changes in program organization, including program/staff relocations and new appointments.

   e. Changes in program budget/funding.

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5. Event reporting, including follow up and closure information in NMED.

6. Response to incidents and allegations:

   a. Status of allegations and concerns referred by the NRC for action;
   b. Significant events and generic implications.

7. Status of the following program areas, if applicable:

   a. Sealed Source and Device Evaluation Program;
   b. Uranium Recovery Program; and/or,
   c. Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Program.

8. Information exchange and discussion:

   a. Current State initiatives;
   b. Emerging technologies;
   c. Large, complicated, or unusual authorizations for use of radioactive materials;
   d. State's mechanisms to evaluate performance; and,
   e. NRC current initiatives.

9. Schedule for the next IMPEP review.

10. Any action items resulting from the meeting.

11. Other topics.