

INSPECTION

16. Purpose, Frequency. **The possession and use of radioactive materials shall be subject to inspection by the regulatory authority and shall be subject to the performance of tests, as required by the regulatory authority. Inspection and testing is conducted to determine and to assist in obtaining compliance with regulatory requirements. Frequency of inspection shall be related directly to the amount and kind of material and type of operation licensed, and it shall be adequate to insure compliance.**

The NRC staff confirmed that the State has statutory authority to conduct inspections of licensees. The State has adopted regulations compatible with equivalent parts of the NRC regulations containing provisions relating to inspections and tests.

The State has adopted a schedule for inspection of licensees at least as frequent as the schedule used by NRC. The Program staff has developed internal procedures and accompanying forms for the inspection areas which cover scheduling, preparation, performance basis, tracking and documentation of inspection results. The inspection procedures are similar to NRC procedures.

The staff concludes that this criterion is satisfied.

References:

18. Notification of Results of Inspection. **Licensees are entitled to be advised of the results of inspections and to notice as to whether or not they are in compliance.**

The NRC staff review determined that the State has adopted procedures to convey a copy of the formal inspection report to the licensees, both when violations are found, and when no violations are found. The procedures identify the staff responsible and specify the time limit for preparing the inspection report, the process for management review and approval, and provide instructions for distribution of the report to the licensee and to the State's official files.

The staff concludes that this criterion is satisfied.

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