ALL AGREEMENT STATES

TRANSMITTAL OF STATE AGREEMENTS PROGRAM INFORMATION (SP-94-016)

Your attention is invited to the enclosed correspondence which contains:

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Supplementary information:

The NRC plans to hold an Agreement State workshop on its Site Decommissioning Management Plan (SDMP) and contaminated sites in the Agreement States. The workshop will be held March 23, 1994 at the U.S. Postal Service's William F. Bolgar Management Academy, 9600 Newbridge Drive, Potomac, Maryland. Enclosed is a copy of the tentative agenda. Also enclosed is a set of questions that Tom Combs of my staff and Nick Orlando of the Office of Nuclear Materials Safety and Safeguards, will be telephoning to discuss with you within the next few weeks. Thank you for your past support in providing information for the November 8, 1993 Commission meeting on SDMP.

If you have further questions regarding this correspondence, please contact the individual named below.

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AGREEMENT STATE SITE DECOMMISSIONING MANAGEMENT PROGRAM WORKSHOP MARCH 23, 1994

AGENDA

- 7:30am Check-in & Coffee
- 8:00am Welcome and Opening Remarks
 Richard L. Bangart, Director
 Office of State Programs
- 8:15am What is SDMP and Why Did NRC Develop It?

 Decommissioning and Regulatory Issues Branch,
 Division of Low-Level Waste, Office of Muclear
 Materials Safety and Safeguards (NMSS)
- 9:15am Identifying Potential Sites
 Operations Branch, Division of Industrial and
 Medical Nuclear Safety, NMSS
- 9:30am Break
- 9:45am Contaminated Site Experiences
 - · Region III
 - · LLWM
 - * State (Illinois)/Mayor of Newburgh Heights, OH?
- 11:15am Need for Agreement State SDMP Programs/Possibility
 of Including Agreement State Contaminated Sites in
 NRC's SDMP Contaminated Sites as a Performance
 Indicator
 TBA
- 11:45am Question and Answer Session
- 12:00n Lunch

NRC's SDMP Lessons Learned

- 1:00pm Site Surveys
 Decommissioning and Regulatory Issues Branch,
 Division of Low-Level Waste, Office of Nuclear
 Materials Safety and Safeguards (MMSS)
- 1:45pm Existing Remediation Criteria
- 2:30pm Enforcement Strategies
 Office of Enforcement
- 3:15pm Break

3:30pm		Financial Assurance Decommissioning and Regulatory Issues Branch, Division of Low-Level Waste, NMSS or OGC
4:15pm	-	Large Volume Sites
4:45pm	-	Enhanced Participatory Rulemaking on Site Cleanup Criteria Update Office of the General Counsel and/or RES
5:15pm	-	Question and Answer Session Richard Bangart, Director Office of State Programs
5:45pm	-	Closing Remarks and Informal Gathering

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FOLLOW-UP QUESTIONS FOR AGREEMENT STATES

Within the next few weeks, Tom Combs of my staff and Nick Orlando of the Office of Nuclear Materials Safety and Safeguards, will be contacting you by telephone to further discuss Site Decommissioning Management Plans.

We have designed the following eight questions to assist us in responding to the Commission's November 18, 1993 memorandum to the staff in follow-up to the November 8, 1993 Commission briefing on the Site Decommissioning Management Plan (SDMP). A copy of the memorandum is attached and was forwarded to you previously on December 11, 1993 (SP-93-178), along with a copy of the transcript of the November 8, 1993 meeting. The questions will also help us prepare for the March 23, 1994 SDMP Workshop, better ascertain the status of SDMP in the Agreement States and clarify information contained in your responses to our September 20, 1993 SDMP request letter (SP-93-139). Since you will be contacted by telephone, no formal response to the questions is required. The information developed will be provided to you at the workshop.

- 1. What are the criteria used in your State to determine when radiologically contaminated soil or volumetrically contaminated material can be released for unrestricted use?
- 2. Do you perform dose modeling prior to releasing sites for unrestricted use? If so which models are used? If you perform dose modeling, do you use a set of standard or default parameters or do you use site specific parameters to determine the potential dose from residual radioactive material?
- 3. Do you allow sites to be released for other than unrestricted use? If so, what type of continuing controls do you allow? How is credit given for these controls? Is there a time limit for these controls? What programs are in place to ensure the effectiveness of these controls? Is some type of financial assurance required for the controls? Is the public involved in the decision to release the site for other than unrestricted use and the review of the controls, if any are required? Do you have a program to keep track of these sites?
- 4. Do you have a policy on finality of decommissioning actions (i.e. if a site has been cleaned up per an approved plan or method and all requirements concerning the closure of the site are achieved, do you have a policy on future liability or additional actions that may be imposed on the licensee)? If you have such a policy, has it been effective in encouraging licensees to complete decommissioning in a timely manner?
- 5. Do you or have you ever evaluated sites that have been released in the past? If so, what criteria are/were used to evaluate the adequacy of the remediation (i.e., current criteria or criteria in effect at the time of the original cleanup)?

- 6. Do you have a standard set of procedures/criteria/methods for conducting termination surveys of sites? Do you perform confirmatory surveys of sites after licensees have stated that the sites meet the release criteria?
- 7. Do you retain terminated license files indefinitely? If no, for what period of time are terminated license files retained?
- B. Do you currently permit inactive contaminated sites to remain under licensee control without requiring the licensee to initiate site characterization and remediation efforts? If yes, please identify the sites and indicate whether you will require the licensee to initiate characterizational remediation programs. When do you expect such requirements will be established?

Attachment: As stated



UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20886

IN RESPONSE, PLEASE REFER TO: M931108A November 18, 1993

MEMORANDUM TO:

James M. Taylor

Executive Director for Operations

FROM:

Samuel J. Chilk, Secretary

SUBJECT:

STAFF REQUIREMENTS - BRIERING ON SITE

DECOMMISSIONING MANAGEMENT PLAN

(SECY-93-179), 9:30 A.M., MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1993, COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE ROOM, ONE WHITE FLINT NORTH, ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND (OPEN

TO PUBLIC ATTENDANCE)

The Commission was briefed by the NRC staff on the Site Decommissioning Management Plan (SDMP) and Agreement State actions on similar sites.

The issue of averaging contamination survey results to determine that acceptable levels are not exceeded after remediating a site was discussed. The Commission noted the connection with the enhanced participatory rulemaking and the high level of sensitivity to this question and recommended that the staff obtain as much public input as is practical. The final position developed by the staff should consider the public input as well as that from the States.

The Commission requested more definitive information from the staff on the criteria the Agreement States are using for release of contaminated sites (including sites contaminated with naturally-occurring radioactive material) and the types of approaches they are allowing in terms of restricted use or perpetual care.

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