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NOTE TO: Les Barnett, NRR
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SUBJECT: RITS AND SIMS MODIFICATIONS

Data from NRR's LAN-based WISP system is used to feed RITS and the Safety Issues Management System (SIMS). Currently, a back feed of data from RITS to WISP is also necessary. Some modifications to this environment are occurring. These modifications are listed below, along with proposed completion actions for your staff. I would appreciate your corrections and additions to this list and any changes you would propose for the completion actions.

- 1) SIMS, which is now a subsystem of RITS on the NIH computer, was placed on the IBM 9370 computer on the 4/20-21/91 weekend. Data entry to SIMS will still flow thru RITS (on NIH) and then to SIMS (on 9370) but data access will be direct to the 9370 computer. [A file copy of SIMS will remain for some time at NIH but only IRM's system manager will have access and it is not clear how frequently the data set will be "refreshed".] By mid-May 1991, there will be three special subsets of SIMS data also available on the 9370 computers: TMI actions, USIs, and GSIs. Each of these should be available to satisfy NRR's specific needs. Action: J. Larkins should be informed whenever SIMS reports or reports from the TMI actions, USIs, and/or GSIs data bases (on the 9370 computers) are not available in a timely manner or are significantly inaccurate. Mr. Larkins should concur on any actions requested of IRM to modify or otherwise fix the SIMS system, the three related data bases, or requests for new reports from SIMS. Please prepare a "90-day Experience Report"--on SIMS and its three related data bases at the 9370 computer-- by early September 1991 and submit copies to John Larkins and IRM.
- 2) About six months ago, IRM, apparently at your request, ceased work on a cradle-to-grave tracking project for SIMS issues. Action: John Larkins should concur with any instructions to IRM to revive this project.
- 3) Currently, new TAC numbers and associated data are entered directly and independently into both WISP and RITS. This is duplicate data entry. INEL is apparently working on program(s) so that, in the future, data entry of TAC numbers will be to WISP with uploading to RITS. IRM's data entry support can be accordingly reduced when only one data entry is necessary. Action: IRM should send you a memo when the INEL developed approach has been installed, tested, and found satisfactory. John Larkins would appreciate a copy of the IRM memo.

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- 4) Currently, weekly RITS data forms are data entered into RITS and then downloaded to WISP. INEL is apparently working on program(s) to have the weekly forms entered first into WISP and then uploaded to RITS. Once this is accomplished, IRM's data entry support may be reduced since WISP participants (i.e., eventually all NRR staff) will data enter their hourly data directly rather than submitting forms to a data entry clerk. Actions: IRM should send you a memo when the INEL developed approach has been installed, tested, and found satisfactory. John Larkins would appreciate a copy of the IRM mem. You should provide John Larkins with a memo proposing a schedule for transitioning from data entry clerk entering weekly RITS forms into RITS (or into WISP) to direct staff data entry of weekly hour data into WISP.

- 5) IRM recently offered five new reports to be used by your staff in checking manpower data. Action: J. Larkins should concur with any request to IRM on additional reports from RITS.

We expect to involve you in NRR review and oversight of IRM proposals to modify or replace RITS and SIMS.

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