

# NATIONAL MATERIALS PROGRAM

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- A National Materials Program (NMP) is in Place Today
- Represented by Collective NRC and Agreement State Materials Programs

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- Currently, 33 Agreement States regulate about 80% of the Nation's material licenses
- NRC/Agreement State relationship is evolving
- There is need for a greater role and responsibility for Agreement States

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- National Materials Program  
NRC/Agreement State Working Group  
Final Report
  - Identified range of options for NMP
    - Current Program
    - Alliance Option
  - Discussed need for additional information
  - Pilot Projects

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- August 20, 2002 Staff Requirements Memorandum
  - Approved blending of the “Current Program” and the “Alliance” options through initiation of five pilot projects
  - Future direction and decision will be guided by results of the pilot projects
  - Solicit comments from broad spectrum of stakeholders

# INTER-RELATIONSHIP NATIONAL MATERIALS PROGRAM

## Individual Program Activities

Licensing  
Inspection  
Response To Incidents  
Staffing & Training  
Enforcement & Investigation

## Shared Program Activities (NMP)

Rule Development  
Guidance Development  
Program Evaluation  
Policy

Agreement  
States

NRC

NRC  
Portion

Agreement  
State  
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# ISSUES - FUTURE DIRECTION

- Evolving NMP environment
- NRC ability to share establishment of priorities with States
- Ability of States to assume and carry out greater responsibility for development and maintenance of products under a NMP
- Individual State programs ability to commit resources to NMP
- NRC, CRCPCD, and OAS Roles