Comment Resolution Document

Summary of Comments for Interim SA-600, Process and Criteria for Agreement State Personnel to Attend NRC-Sponsored Training

Sent to the Agreement States, NRC NMSS, NRC Regions I, III, and IV for Comment in STC letter 20-040, date June 3, 2020

Comment No.	Source	Location	Comment	Accepted	Remarks
1	Colorado	V. E. 2 and 3	 2. A candidate's routine and ongoing work duties include or will include inspector and/or license reviewer for Agreement material, and participation in the training course must be required by the State's written training program for inspectors and license reviewers of Agreement material. 3. A State program must have a specific class of licensee (or active application) for a candidate to receive approval to attend a technology specific class (e.g., panoramic irradiator). Comment: While I understand that for the licensee type specific courses there should be a requirement for that training included both in the state's written training program and on their individual training plans but for those courses that are more related to specialized and general health physics or other type knowledge like a RESRAD overview, or Visual Sampling, or MARSAME, MARSSIM, or Internal Dosimetry course, does this mean that these courses would need to specifically be called 	No Action	For individuals that require the specialized courses classified as optional, it is the States responsibility to identify on the application if it is anything other than qualification related. In the example that you provided, if the program has established in their training qualifications that this is a required course for the individual to perform their duties, you would select "initial qualification/core course" on the submitted application. Also, the MARSAME and MARSSIM, are on-line courses and do not have any specific application requirements, however we do ask if qualification related for tracking purposes.

2	Louisiana	V. A	out in the state's training plan? We have always taken advantage of some of these courses as optional but required for an individual inspector/license reviewer once we established that it would be beneficial and necessary for them to expand their knowledge beyond the basics of the more licensee specific type courses, or when there is a specific need (for instance a licensee planning to provide a RESRAD submittal that needs review.) If the intention is for these requirements to apply more specifically to the "technology specific" or license type specific courses it would be helpful to clarify that here. The NRC would provide funding for tuition only, and the States would be responsible for all travel related costs and per diem. Does this apply to the regularly scheduled classes? What about the SS&D class coming up in August? Is NRC still fully funding all the classes I send my people to?	No Action	This does not apply to the regularly scheduled NRC sponsored classes. This would only apply to non-NRC sponsored classes. In those instances, the NRC would provide a seat for the States to register for the class but would not providing funding. However, all NRC-sponsored courses will be funded as normal. For the example provided, the SS&D class is
					an NRC-sponsored class and therefore would be fully funded.
3	Wisconsin		No Comment	No Action	
4	New Jersey	V. E. 3	A State program must have a specific class of licensee (or active application) for a candidate to receive approval to attend a technology specific class (e.g., panoramic irradiator).	No Action	Serious consideration for acceptance to the course will be given if there is reasonable assurance that the State will

			What if a state expects to get a new license application for a type which they do not currently have?		receive a new application for a type of license they do not have.
5	New Jersey	F	Waitlisted Students: Students that were not accepted to a past offering will be offered the opportunity to attend a course that has unfilled seats. If there is a large number of waitlisted students for a certain course, the NRC will evaluate holding additional offering of the course, based on funding, instructor availability and contract limitations. <i>Will waitlisted applicants have first priority for the next offering?</i>	No Action	Yes, waitlisted students will be given priority if the waitlisted student is available for the next offering, within the current fiscal year schedule, and there are seats available after final selections have been made for those that applied for the specific course offering. If the NRC holds an additional offering, waitlisted students will be given priority for that course. Please note, the waitlist will not roll over to the next fiscal year and staff will need to reapply.
6	Washington	General	Is there a protocol for states to send additional students to classes that did not fill up (e.g., 2 weeks before class start date)? Would these extra students be at state expense or would the NRC fund them?	No Action	There is no protocol for States to send additional students to classes that did not fill up. However, additional students will be funded/per diem as long as there are additional seats available after final selections.