

From: Cardelia Maupin
To: Sarah M. Fields
Date: 4/28/03 6:01PM
Subject: Re: NRC Review of Agreement State Radiation Programs

Ms. Fields,

I am responding to the above subject request. Our response is as follows:

In Federal Register dated October 16, 1997,(See 62 FR 53839-53840), the NRC announced that it was rescinding the May 28, 1992, General Statement of Policy "Guidelines for NRC Review of Agreement State Radiation Control Programs" and that this policy was being superseded by the Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program (IMPEP) for the evaluation of Agreement State programs and the associated final policy statements: "Statement of Principles and Policy for the Agreement State Program" and "Policy Statement on the Adequacy and Compatibility of Agreement State Programs," (See 62 FR 46517; September 3, 1997). The NRC review of Agreement State programs was conformed to these two policy statements and the IMPEP review process is the implementation vehicle.

In order to access the Federal Register for October 16, 1997 notice on pages 53839-53840, (1) Go to the website below

http://www.gpo.gov/su_docs/aces/aces140.html ;

(2) Check the box in front of "1997 Federal Register, Vol. 62"

(3) Go to "Issue Date"; and check "on" and insert "10/16/2003" in the box

(4) Go to "Search Terms:" and insert "Integrated Materials Performance" in box

In addition, to learn more about how NRC is currently reviewing Agreement State Radiation Control Programs, (1) Go to the STP web page <http://www.hsr.dornl.gov/nrc/home.html>

(2) Click on to the "Policy and Procedures" box in the middle of the page.

(3) Review the procedures in the "BK-100 through SA-1101" series. This information should give you a keen understanding of how and why we have revised our program on reviewing Agreement State Programs.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me.

CC: Josephine Piccone; Rosetta Virgilio