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(b) Participates in formulation of policies involving NRC/State cooperation and liaison;

(c) Develops and directs administrative and contractual programs for coordinating and integrating Federal and State regulatory activities;

(d) Maintains liaison between NRC and State, interstate, regional, Indian Tribe, and quasi-governmental organizations on regulatory matters;

(e) Promotes NRC visibility and performs general liaison with other Federal Agencies, and keeps NRC management informed of significant developments at other Federal Agencies which affect the NRC;

(f) Monitors nuclear-related State legislative activities;

(g) Directs regulatory activities of State Liaison and State Agreement Officers located in Regional Offices;

(h) Participates in policy matters on State Public Utility Commissions (PUCs);

(i) Administers the State Agreements program in a partnership arrangement with the States;

(j) Develops staff policy and procedures and implementation of the State Agreements program under the provisions of section 274b of the Atomic Energy Act, as amended;

(k) Provides oversight of program of periodic routine reviews of Agreement State programs to determine their adequacy and compatibility as required by section 274j of the Act and other periodic reviews that may be performed to maintain a current level of knowledge of the status of the Agreement State programs;

(l) Provides training to the States as provided by section 274i of the Act and also to NRC staff and staff of the U.S. Navy and U.S. Air Force;

(m) Provides technical assistance to Agreement States;

(n) Maintains an exchange of information with the States;

(o) Conducts negotiations with States expressing an interest in seeking a section 274b Agreement;

(p) Supports, consistent with Commission directives, State efforts to improve regulatory control for radiation safety over radioactive materials not covered by the Act; and

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(q) Serves as the NRC liaison to the Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors, Inc. (CRCPD) and coordinates NRC technical support of CRCPD committees.

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PROGRAM OFFICES

§ 1.42 Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.

(a) The Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards is responsible for protecting the public health and safety, the common defense and security, and the environment by licensing, inspection, and environmental impact assessment for all nuclear facilities and activities, and for the import and export of special nuclear material.

(b) The Office responsibilities include—

(1) Development and promulgation of regulations;

(2) Development and implementation of NRC policy for the regulation of activities involving safety, quality, approval, and inspection of the use and handling of nuclear and other radioactive materials, such as uranium activities;

(3) Fuel fabrication and fuel development;

(4) Medical, industrial, academic, and commercial uses of radioactive isotopes;

(5) Safeguards activities;

(6) Transportation of nuclear materials, including certification of transport containers;

(7) Out-of-reactor spent fuel storage;

(8) Safe management and disposal of low-level and high-level radioactive wastes;

(9) Planning and direction of program for financial assurance of NMSS licenses; and

(10) Management of the decommissioning of facilities and sites when their licensed functions are over.

(c) Safeguards responsibilities include—

(1) Development of overall agency policy;

(2) Monitoring and assessment of the threat environment, including liaison with intelligence agencies, as appropriate; and

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(3) Those licensing and review activities appropriate to deter and protect against threats of radiological sabotage and threats of theft or diversion of special nuclear material at fuel facilities and during transport.

(d) The Office identifies and takes action to control safety and safeguards issues for activities under its responsibility, including consulting and coordinating with international, Federal, State, and local agencies, as appropriate.

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§ 1.43 Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

The Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation—

(a) Develops, promulgates and implements regulations and develops and implements policies, programs, and procedures for all aspects of licensing, inspection, and safeguarding of—

(1) Manufacturing, production, and utilization facilities, except for those concerning fuel reprocessing plants and isotopic enrichment plants;

(2) Receipt, possession, and ownership of source, byproduct, and special nuclear material used or produced at facilities licensed under 10 CFR part 50;

(3) Operators of such facilities;

(4) Emergency preparedness at such facilities; and

(5) Contractors and suppliers of such facilities.

(b) Identifies and takes action regarding conditions and licensee performance that may adversely affect public health and safety, the environment, or the safeguarding of nuclear reactor facilities;

(c) Assesses and recommends or takes action regarding incidents or accidents;

(d) Provides special assistance as required in matters involving reactor facilities exempt from licensing;

(e) Provides guidance and implementation direction to Regional Offices on reactor licensing, inspection, and safeguards programs assigned to the Region, and appraises Regional program performance in terms of effectiveness and uniformity;

(f) Performs other functions required for implementation of the reactor licensing, inspection, and safeguards programs;

(g) Performs management of the NRC allegation program; and

(h) Performs review and evaluation related to regulated facilities insurance, indemnity, and antitrust matters.

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§ 1.45 Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research.

The Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research—

(a) Plans, recommends, and implements programs of nuclear regulatory research, standards development, and resolution of generic safety issues for nuclear power plants and other facilities regulated by the NRC;

(b) Coordinates research activities within and outside the agency including appointment of staff to committees and conferences; and

(c) Coordinates NRC participation in international standards-related activities and national volunteer standards efforts, including appointment of staff to committees.

[52 FR 31602, Aug. 21, 1987, as amended at 63 FR 69544, Dec. 17, 1998]

§ 1.47 NRC Regional Offices.

Each Regional Administrator executes established NRC policies and assigned programs relating to inspection, enforcement, licensing, State agreements, State liaison, and emergency response within Regional boundaries set out in § 1.5(b) of this part.

Subpart C—NRC Seal and Flag

§ 1.51 Description and custody of NRC seal.

(a) Pursuant to section 201(a) of the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, has adopted an official seal. Its description is as follows: An American bald eagle (similar to that on the Great Seal of the United States of America) of brown and tan with claws and beak of yellow, behind a shield of red, white, and blue, clutching a cluster of thirteen arrows