CONFERENCE OF RADIATION CONTROL PROGRAM DIRECTORS, INC.

RESOLUTION

Relating to: Regulatory control at U.S. Department of Energy facilities and responsibility of States for regulation of non-Atomic Energy Act radiation sources (material and machine) at all facilities.

WHEREAS: It has been amply demonstrated that the Department of Energy facilities that utilize radiation sources in their activities do not meet the regulatory requirements and standards required of all other users of radiation sources, and

WHEREAS: The Secretary of Commerce has suggested that the Committee on Interagency Radiation Research and Policy Coordination strive for the simplest regulatory posture consistent with protection of the public and the environment, and

WHEREAS: The Congress has recognized the need for uniform regulation of private industry and government agencies under the various Environmental Protection Acts, and

WHEREAS: The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is the regulator for all users of Atomic Energy Act regulated material, except for the Department of Energy, and

WHEREAS: State radiation control programs have identified many problems onsite and offsite with Department of Energy facilities and have grave concern for the historical and continuing radiation problems, and

WHEREAS: Concerns are especially heightened by the addressing of chemical hazards under the Environmental Protection Agency programs without concurrently addressing the associated radiation problems, and

WHEREAS: The regulation of non-Atomic Energy Act radiation sources (material and machines) at Federal facilities is fragmented and incomplete, and

WHEREAS: It would be most economical and efficient to continue the existing programs for the regulation of sources of radiation and to delete areas of duplication in the federal government.
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the CRCPD formally request the Congress of the United States to amend the Atomic Energy Act to provide for the regulation of the Department of Energy by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the CRCPD formally request the Congress to pass legislation providing formal recognition of the authority of the state radiation control programs over all other sources of ionizing radiation in all facilities, i.e., clarify and declare that the regulation of the use and disposal of non-Atomic Energy Act radiation sources (material and machine) is the responsibility of the states.

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