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Subject: October 2024 edition of the CRCPD *Contacts for Radiological Assistance*

CRCPD can now distribute this bi-annual memo to you via email **if you so choose**. Email sbowen@crcpd.org, **subject "Contacts for Radiological Assistance"** and let us know if you prefer email to a paper memo. The memo will continue to be mailed to everyone that does not contact us.

This edition of the notes is being distributed by CRCPD to 95 interstate shippers and carriers of radioactive material both government and private; the communication centers of both state police and emergency services; each of the agencies listed in the notes; the Canadian and Mexican nuclear safety commissions; the headquarters and regional offices of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, EPA, FEMA and DOE; the DOT PHMSA and modal agencies; U.S. Customs; and to several government and commercial organizations that provide training and guidance on inspection or incidents in transportation.

Air and rail carrier associations, U.S. Customs and DOT modal agencies will wish to copy these notes to member firms and offices that need the information for shipping papers or to obtain assistance with a radiological incident.

So that communications are not overloaded by unwelcome calls during an incident, please do not post this information online or make available for broad distribution.

Shippers and carriers should not use these contacts for radiological assistance as emergency response telephone numbers relative to hazmat entries on shipping papers (per 49 CFR 172.604) without permission of the radiological assistance agency.

Notes on dealing with stray radioactive material and on the use of DOT special permits for scrap or trash found to be radioactive and the DOT special permits and approval forms and the CRCPD directories of commercial services are maintained at <https://www.crcpd.org/> under "General," subsections "Commercial Services" "Directories of Commercial Services" and "Transportation," Also under "Environmental" subsection "Assistance with Unwanted RAM" and "SCATR Program (Source Collection)" The **immediate action** at a transportation accident involving radioactive material, as recommended by the radiation regulatory agencies and professional associations, is to rescue victims, provide medical attention, extinguish fires, and take reasonable steps to limit the spread of contamination without waiting for a radiological survey (FEMA, 1989).

Contacts for Radiological Assistance to First Responders at Transportation Incident

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Promptly report an accident involving radioactive materials to one of the following organizations, whose staff can assist with appropriate notifications and requests for assistance to federal, state and professional organizations. If necessary, state police and state emergency services will assist with communications to the scene and to hospitals.

State Radiation Control Programs

(Refer to spreadsheet)

RCP's, in most situations, can provide radiological advice as well as assistance at the scene of an accident, and they are prepared to assess all types of radioactivity. In most states, the radiation control program has the responsibility for at least the initial radiological assessment of a transportation accident. In general, vehicle operators should notify the state radiation control authority of any incident that delays their progress.

National Response Center

800/424-8802

This is the sole national point of contact for initial reporting of hazardous material incidents, oil discharges, and biological, etiological or radioactive material releases within U.S.A. and its territories. The National Response Center immediately forwards the report to the designated Federal On-Scene Coordinator and other Federal or State agencies with regulatory or response interest, including EPA (RAD), DOE emergency operations center, and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission operations center. The National Response Center does not provide on-site assistance teams nor advise on incident management.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (via National Response Center)

If requested, the EPA National Response Center will provide monitoring, assessment assistance, and protective action guidance to State or local governments responding to transportation accidents involving radioactive material that is not licensed or owned by another Federal agency or an Agreement State.

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Headquarters Operations Center

301/816-5100

The Operations Center will provide technical advice, assistance with communications, and assistance in obtaining a radiological assessment team if requested by the principal state or local responder. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has the principal federal responsibility for those radioactive materials that are under licenses issued by the NRC.

U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Emergency Operations Center

202/586-8100

The EOC will provide assistance with communications and arrange for technical advice to emergency responders at a radioactive material transportation incident. DOE will, if requested, provide on-scene radiological assistance to support state and local responders through the local responders through coordination with the appropriate Radiological Assistance Program regions.

After Hrs.

865/576-1005

REAC/TS, DOE Radiation Emergency Assistance Center & Training Site

Bus. Hrs. 865/576-3131

provides 24-hour consultative assistance regarding medical and health physics problems associated with radiation victims.

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CHEMTREC, Chemical Transportation Emergency Center
www.chemtrec.com

Outside U.S. 703/527-887
Within U.S. 800/424-9300

-and

ChemTel, Inc. Emergency Response Communication Service
<https://chemtelinc.com/>

Outside N.Am. 813/248-0585
Within N.Am. 800/255-3924

Chemtrec and ChemTel provide 24-hour service for general information on the chemicals identified in an accident, as well as communications links to shippers and experts on the particular chemicals involved. They will assist in notifying appropriate government agencies and professional services for radiological assistance. ChemTel has a radiation safety officer on staff. Collect calls are accepted from outside the U.S. for emergency assistance.

Regional Compacts for Radiological Assistance have been formed among most states for assistance with accidents involving radioactive materials.

Notes

The above agencies prefer that routine incidents with radioactive materials, such as scrap yard portal monitor alarm trips and wet packages of diagnostic nuclear medicines be reported to your State Radiation Control Program. See <https://crcpd.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Auth-Reg-Transportation-9-11-2024.pdf> for the transportation contacts for your state.

Two pertinent texts are: NCRP Report No. 65, "Management of Persons Accidentally Contaminated with Radionuclides," and NCRP Report No. 138, "Management of Terrorist Events Involving Radioactive Materials." Training is offered at the Oak Ridge Institute: [Radiation Emergency Assistance Center/Training Site \(REAC/TS\) \(orau.gov\)](http://radiation.ornl.gov) and the Armed Forces Radiobiology Research Institute [AFRRI, Education, MEIR Course \(usuhs.edu\)](http://afrrri.afpr.mil)

Each federal agency will provide a list of their regional office addresses and telephone numbers for reference, but accidents should be reported to the agency's national operations center. Regional Offices of EPA, FDA and NRC usually do not have radiological assistance staff on duty except during normal business hours.

STATE RADIATION CONTROL PROGRAM ASSISTANCE FOR INCIDENTS INVOLVING RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS
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State	Emergency Response Contact	State Radiation Control Programs			24 Hour or After Hours		Emergency Assistance Available			Federal Region		
		Email	Voice	Fax	Voice	Fax	Conference Call	Technical Information	Radiological Surveys	DOE	NRC	NRC Status
Alaska	Allison Natcher	allison.natcher@alaska.gov	(907) 334-2107		(907) 428-7200	DENR	✓	✓	✓	6	1	
Alabama	Cason Coan	cason.coan@adph.state.al.us	(334) 320-3457		(334) 324-0076	RCP	✓	✓	✓	3	1	✓
Arkansas	Bernard Bevill	bernard.bevill@arkansas.gov	(501) 661-2301	(501) 661-2849	(501) 661-2136 or 800 633-1735	RCP	✓	✓	✓	2	4	✓
Arizona	Brian Goretzki	brian.goretzki@azdhs.gov	(602) 255-4840	(602) 437-0705	(480) 202-4982	RCP	✓	✓	✓	4	4	✓
California	John Fassell	john.fassell@cdph.ca.gov	(916) 445-2196	(916) 341-7113	(800) 852-7550	EMA	✓	✓	✓	7	4	✓
Colorado	James Grice	james.grice@state.co.us	(303) 692-3371	(303) 769-7841	(303) 877-9757		✓	✓	✓	6	4	✓
Connecticut	Jeff Semancik	jeffrey.semancik@ct.gov	(860) 424-4190		(860) 424 3333	RCP	✓	✓	✓	1	1	*
Delaware	Robert Brinsfield	robert.brinsfield@delaware.gov		(302) 739-3839	(302) 659-3362	SP	✓	✓	✓	1	1	
Florida	Mark Seidensticker	mark.seidensticker@flhealth.gov	(407) 204-2682	(407) 297-2085	(407) 297-2095	RCP	✓	✓	✓	3	1	✓
Georgia	Shelly Stancil	Shelly.Stancil2@dnr.ga.gov	(706) 726-5503	(404) 363-7100	(800) 241-4113	RCP	✓	✓	✓	3	1	✓
Hawaii	Geoffrey Lau	geoffrey.lau@doh.hawaii.gov	(808) 586-4700	(808) 586-5838	(808) 733-4300 ext 101	EMA	✓	✓	✓	7	4	
Iowa	Patricia Riesberg	patty.riesberg@hhs.iowa.gov	(515) 371-2255		(515) 323-4360	RCP	✓	✓	✓	5	3	
Idaho	Landry Austin	Landry.Austin@deq.idaho.gov	(208) 528-2615	(208) 528-2695	800 632-8000	EMA	✓	✓	✓	6	4	
Illinois	Adnan Khayyat	Adnan.Khayyat@illinois.gov	(217) 685-4913	(217) 685-4913	(217) 782-7860	RCP	✓	✓	✓	5	3	✓
Indiana	Courtney Eckstein	ceckstein@dhs.in.gov	(317) 464-7043		800 669-7362, 1	IN DHS	✓	✓	✓	5	3	*
Kansas	Jason Meinholdt	Jason.Meinholdt@ks.gov	(785) 296-8293	(785) 559-4251	(785) 291-3333	EMA	✓	✓	✓	4	4	✓
Kentucky	Matthew McKinley	mattheww.mckinley@ky.gov	(502) 564-3700 ext. 4	(502) 564-1492	800 255 2587A	EMA	✓	✓	✓	2	1	✓
Louisiana	Jerry Lang	Jerry.Lang@la.gov	(225) 219-2966	(225) 910-1260	(225) 765-0160	RCP	✓	✓	✓	2	4	✓
Massachusetts	John Priest	jack.priest@mass.gov	(617) 388-9540	(617) 242-3457	(617) 242-3453	SP	✓	✓	✓	1	1	✓
Maryland	Atnatiwos Meshesha	atnatiwos.meshesha@maryland.gov	(410) 537-3930 or (410) 615-2390 (cell)	(410) 615-2390	866 633-4686	RCP	✓	✓	✓	1	1	✓
Maine	Nathan Saunders	nathan.saunders@maine.gov	(207) 592-3685	(207) 287-3059	(207) 624 7076	SP	✓	✓	✓	2	4	✓
Michigan	Jay Paquette	paquettej3@michigan.gov	(517) 243-7197		800 292-4706	EGLE-PEAS	✓	✓	✓	5	3	
Minnesota	Mary B. Navara	mary.navara@state.mn.us	(651) 201-5826		800-422-0798	RCP	✓	✓	✓	5	3	✓
Missouri	Jeremy Wilson	jeremy.wilson@health.mo.gov	(573) 522-6131		800-392-0272	RCP	✓	✓	✓	2	3	
Mississippi	Ronald Rogers	ronald.rogers@msdh.ms.gov	(601) 987-6893	(601) 987-6887	800 222-6362	EMA	✓	✓	✓	2	4	✓
Montana	Ross Barnes	ross.barnes@mt.gov	(406) 444-6977		(406) 324-4777	EMA		✓	✓	6	4	
North Carolina	Travis Cartoski	Travis.Cartoski@dhs.nc.gov	(919) 814-2312		(919) 621-0124	RCP	✓	✓	✓	3	1	✓
North Dakota	David Stradinger	dstradinger@nd.gov	(701) 328-6410	(701) 328-5200	(701) 328 9921	EMA		✓	✓	5	4	✓
Nebraska	Becki Harisis	becki.harisis@nebraska.gov	(402) 471-0385	(402) 471-0169	(402) 479-4921	SP	✓	✓	✓	5	4	✓

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New Hampshire	Augustinus Ong	augustinus.ong@dhhs.nh.gov	(603) 271-4585	(603) 225-2325	(603) 271-3636	SP	✓	✓	✓	6	1	✓
New Jersey	Nancy Stanley	nancy.stanley@dep.nj.gov	(609) 984-5452	(609) 633-2210	(877) 927-6337	RCP	✓	✓	✓	1	1	✓
New Mexico	Santiago Rodriguez	santiago.rodriguez1@state.nm.us	(505) 476-8604	(505) 476-8654	(877) 927-6337	RCP	✓	✓	✓	4	4	✓
New York	Alexander Damiani	alex.damiani@health.ny.gov	(518) 402-7550	(518) 402-7575	(518) 292-2200	EMA	✓	✓	✓	1	1	✓
New York City	Jose Lorenzo	jlorenzo@health.nyc.gov	(718) 786-5543		(917) 681-1056	RCP	✓	✓	✓	1	1	
Nevada	John Follette	jfollette@health.nv.gov	(702) 486-3017		(877) 438-7231	RCP	✓	✓	✓	7	4	✓
Ohio	Stephen James	stephen.james@odh.ohio.gov	(614) 728-0873	(614) 466-0381	(614) 644-2727	RCP	✓	✓	✓	5	3	✓
Oklahoma	Keisha Cornelius	keisha.cornelius@deq.ok.gov	(405) 702-5162	(405) 702-5101	(800) 522-0206	RCP	✓	✓	✓	5	4	✓
Oregon	Hillary Haskins	Hillary.K.Haskins@oha.oregon.gov	(503) 891-0541	(971) 673-0553	(800) 452-0311	RCP	✓	✓	✓	6	4	✓
Pennsylvania	Dwight Shearer	dwshearer@pa.gov	(717) 783-5403	(717) 783-8965	800 541 2050	RCP	✓	✓	✓	5	3	✓
Puerto Rico	Raul Hernandez Doble	rhernandez@salud.gov.pr	+1 787-486-2242	+1 782-274-6829	(787) 274-6829	RCP		✓	✓	2	1	
Rhode Island	Alexander Hamm	alexander.hamm@health.ri.gov	(401) 222-4249	(401) 222-2456	(401)272-5952	RCP	✓	✓	✓	1	1	✓
South Carolina	Susan Jenkins	jenkinse@dhec.sc.gov	(803) 545-0530	(803) 545-4412	(803) 667 1229	RCP	✓	✓	✓	3	1	✓
South Dakota	Nick Emme	nick.emme@state.sd.us	(605) 773-3153	(605) 773-6035	(605) 773 3231	DENR		✓	✓	5	4	
Tennessee	Debra Shults	debra.shults@tn.gov	(615) 532-0364	(615) 532-0614	(615) 741 0001	EMA	✓	✓	✓	2	1	✓
Texas	Art Tucker	art.tucker@dshs.texas.gov	(512) 924 7034	(512) 483 3430	(512) 458 7460	RCP	✓	✓	✓	6	4	✓
Utah	Doug Hansen	djhansen@utah.gov	(801) 536-0203		(801) 256-2499	DSP	✓	✓	✓	6	4	✓
Virginia	Lea Anna Perlas	lea.perlas@vdh.virginia.gov	(804) 864-8151	(804) 864-8155	(804) 674-2400	EMA	✓	✓	✓	2	1	✓
Vermont	William Irwin	william.irwan@vermont.gov	(802) 863-7238	(802) 865-7745	800 347-0488	SP	✓	✓	✓	1	1	✓
Washington	Mark Henry	mark.henry@doh.wa.gov	(360) 236-3271	(360) 236-2266	(206) 682-5327	RCP	✓	✓	✓	6	4	✓
Wisconsin	Mark Paulson	mark.paulson@dhs.wisconsin.gov	(608) 264-6516	(608) 267-3695	(608) 258-0099	RCP	✓	✓	✓	5	3	✓
West Virginia	Tera Patton	tera.e.patton@wv.gov	(304) 352-5033	(304) 558-0524	(304) 558 5380	EMA	✓	✓	✓	2	1	*
Wyoming	Dillon Conner	dillon.conner@wyo.gov	(307) 777-7197		(307) 777-4321	SP	✓	✓	✓	6	4	

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