NRC’s Mission

To license and regulate the civilian use of byproduct, source, and special nuclear materials to ensure adequate protection of public health and safety, promote the common defense and security, and protect the environment.

NRC’s Vision

Excellence in regulating the safe and secure use and management of radioactive materials for the public good.

Programs

NRC regulates the civilian use of nuclear material in the United States, including nuclear power plants, research and test reactors, fuel fabrication facilities, transportation, and export/import of nuclear materials, and other uses of nuclear materials. We authorize possession and use of nuclear material through licensing, inspect users to ensure safety and security, assess compliance and enforce the requirements, and respond to incidents.

NSIR’s Mission

To prevent nuclear security incidents and respond to safety and security events.

NSIR’s Vision

To be a valued partner in homeland security and Federal emergency response.

NSIR’s History

Founded April 7, 2002, to consolidate and streamline NRC security, safeguards, and incident response responsibilities and resources.

What has been done?

Security and incident response have been vital aspects of the NRC’s program for many years, and the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001, strengthened that resolve. We have enhanced security at licensed facilities and increased oversight of activities involving radioactive sources at nuclear facilities, expanded our incident response capabilities, and strengthened coordination with Federal, State, and local agencies to prepare for and respond to future terrorist events.

What are the program goals for the future?

- Ensure continued security and incident response capability.
- Enhance NRC’s capabilities to respond to accidents and acts of terrorism.
- Partner with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Energy and other agencies to ensure integrated response to incidents.
- Work with State and local governments and licensees to prevent and respond to incidents.

“We will take care of our people, promptly and passionately... Make no mistake, America will deliver the necessary responses to protect public health and safety, and therefore, there will be no ‘American Chernobyl’.”

Chairman Nils J. Diaz
Seeking New Recruits With The Following Background:

In Nuclear Security
- criminologists
- law enforcement professionals
- engineers (most disciplines)
- security administrators

In Incident Response
- nuclear engineers
- health physicists
- emergency planners
- IT specialists

Benefits
- superior training and development
- challenging and rewarding work
- competitive pay scales
- flexible work schedules

Do you remember September 11?

That’s why we’re here.

“The number one priority is to protect America and our way of life.”

Tom Ridge, Secretary
U.S. Department of Homeland Security

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