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Radioactive Material Licensees
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SCATR Program to Begin Collection of Certain Sealed Sources for Disposal

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The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) is issuing this Information Notice (IN) to inform licensees of an opportunity to dispose of certain unwanted sealed radioactive sources. The Source Collection and Threat Reduction (SCATR) Program, administered through the Conference of Radiation Control Protection Directors (CRCPD), is providing an opportunity for Minnesota licensees who do not have access to a low-level radioactive waste disposal facility to dispose of certain unwanted radioactive sealed sources.

Currently SCATR is working with two facilities for disposal – one for Class A sources at the Energy*Solutions* facility in Clive, Utah, and the other for Class A, B, and C sources at the Waste Control Specialists facility in Andrews County, Texas. For sealed sources to be considered in the SCATR program, specific prerequisites must be met. The criteria for each location can be found at <u>http://www.crcpd.org/StateServices/SCATR.aspx</u>.

You must register any sources you wish to have considered for this program with the Off-Site Source Recovery Project (OSRP) before it can be accepted for disposal. For information to register sources go to <u>http://osrp.lanl.gov/PickUpSources.aspx</u>. If you have already registered sources, you are encouraged to update their registration.

The Class A source disposal opportunity at Clive, Utah is only available for one year. Source must be registered within that timeframe.

The CRCPD is offering financial assistance equal to half the cost of disposal to generators who participate in this effort.

Because of the time sensitivity to this matter, MDH encourages all licensees with eligible sources to take advantage of this variance and dispose of unnecessary sealed sources in a cost effective manner.