

The CRCPD Program

Do you have radioactive material for which you have had trouble finding an acceptable outlet?

The Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors, Inc. (CRCPD) offers assistance in finding the most affordable, legal disposition for radioactive material through:

- ◆ Adoption by an individual.
- ◆ Reuse by a device manufacturer.
- ◆ Reprocessing of the material.
- ◆ Acceptance by Federal or State government.
- ◆ Commercial storage.
- ◆ Storage for decay.
- ◆ Disposal of:
 - Diffuse NORM waste.
 - U or Th as mine or mill tailings.
 - Low-level radioactive waste.
 - Transuranic waste.

Two aspects of the CRCPD radioactive material program are:

- ◆ Publications describing various resources available to the custodian of an orphan radiation source or otherwise unwanted radioactive material.
- ◆ Assistance in obtaining help to secure and assess the material and finding suitable outlets for it.

CRCPD Staff Assistance

Any loss, theft, or discovery of radioactive material should be immediately reported to radiation control authorities. The phone number for the appropriate authority may be obtained from CRCPD or from the State's emergency communications center.

CRCPD staff will identify contacts at government agencies and commercial services for on-scene assistance with securing and assessing radioactive material.

The CRCPD will assist with finding, and in some cases funding, an outlet for radioactive material or related equipment such as radiation detectors or shielding.

Where appropriate, CRCPD staff will assist in locating manufacturers, individual licensees, or a Federal program that might accept the material. The U.S. Department of Energy requests owners to register their radioactive material, noting whether in use or unwanted at <http://osrp.lanl.gov>.

The CRCPD staff typically respond to each request within one working day, by providing advice, offering contacts for on-scene assistance, or sending forms and information, as appropriate.

These CRCPD services are provided to both the general public and regulatory agencies without charge.



CRCPD Committees Involved

The *CRCPD Committee on Resource Recovery and Radioactivity* advocates the installation of radiation monitoring at scrap metal collection and processing facilities, and at municipal waste handling facilities. The Committee has established a standard procedure for responding to detected radioactivity. It is the Committee's position that discoveries of radioactivity be reported promptly and dealt with efficiently, without undo financial or administrative burdens on the person reporting.

The *CRCPD Committee on Unwanted Radioactive Materials* works with officials of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. Department of Energy, and the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission to develop a national system for prompt and economical management of orphan radiation sources and other unwanted radioactive material.

The CRCPD encourages, and will assist with, state-wide or national roundups of radioactive material. Roundups are best done for a particular device, such as gauges containing radiation sources that can be refurbished, or a particular waste material, such as NORM scale.

Waste disposal is more economical if items are consolidated to meet the legal limit for a package, and still more economical if collection is by a government program or through return to a manufacturer, rather than a separate package and burial permit for each contributor.

Information Available

CRCPD's Website: www.crcpd.org

CRCPD's website offers resources for dealing with unwanted radioactive material, including:

- ◆ Phone numbers for radiation control programs.
- ◆ News of CRCPD's materials disposition program.
- ◆ *Dealing with Discovered Radioactive Material*, an outline of cases and resources.
- ◆ Department of Transportation exemptions for municipal waste and for scrap, and related information on their use.
- ◆ Directories of commercial services for assistance with radioactive material and contaminated facilities.

Other sections of the website are:

- ◆ A section for news and discussions among government radiation control program staff.
- ◆ Links to other websites having related information.



Among the CRCPD directories of commercial services continually updated and available on the CRCPD web site are:

- ◆ *Manufacturers of Portal Radiation Monitors for Vehicles.*
- ◆ *Manufacturers of Portable Gamma Ray Spectroscopy Instruments.*
- ◆ *Radioactive Site Investigation and Decontamination Firms.*
- ◆ *Radioactive Waste Brokers & Processors* (Most of these firms also perform decontamination of equipment, buildings, and grounds of modest scope).

CRCPD Document and Video

- ◆ *Dealing with Stray Radioactive Material*, a CRCPD video (distributed by CopyMaster Video, Telephone: 630/941-8273), and *Detection and Prevention of Radioactive Contamination in Solid Waste Facilities* (a booklet prepared by and available from CRCPD). This video and booklet discuss radioactivity found in municipal waste and scrap metal and provide information and guidance for facility operators.

To Report Unwanted Radioactive Material

E-mail: rmeyer@crcpd.org

Telephone: 512/761-3822

Cell: 502/330-4415

Register: <http://osrp.lanl.gov>

*CRCPD's mailing address
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CRCPD Assistance with Disposition of Unwanted Radioactive Material



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