

# NMMSS news

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## Foreign Obligations Material Balance Report

Have you heard about the NMMSS Report IA-OBL-05? This report keeps a running balance of each facility's foreign obligations, transaction by transaction, and can be useful in facility reconciliations. For those facilities that have foreign obligated material, the report shows the initial balance, any shipments or receipts, on-site gains and losses, and a total by material type and country of obligation. The report is based solely on the facility's transactions reported to NMMSS. It may be useful to review this information periodically to ensure that your facility's foreign obligations balances agree with those in NMMSS. This will expedite the reconciliation process for the foreign obligations material balances. If you would like to receive this report routinely (i.e. monthly, quarterly, or semi-annually), please contact a NMMSS analyst.

## Initial NRC Licensee Training Course Successful

NMMSS training was provided to the NRC users community on October 18- 20, 2004, in Norcross. This was the initial course for NRC Licensees and based on the enthusiasm and participation of the 21 students in attendance, it appeared that the expectations were successfully met. Feedback was very positive, and in addition, some beneficial suggestions on how to enhance the presentations for future classes was received. The training concluded with the attendees receiving certificates acknowledging their successful completion of the course.

## NRC NMMSS Training Course Scheduled for February 2005

The next NRC NMMSS training course will be conducted February 15-17, 2005 at the NAC Corporate Headquarters in Norcross, Georgia. This course is designed for individuals from NRC/Agreement State license holders with limited

experience in NRC requirements related to nuclear material transfer and inventory reporting to NMMSS. The student will become familiar with NUREG/BR-0006 and NUREG/BR-0007. Additionally, the course will provide basic training in how to complete and submit nuclear material transaction forms (DOE/NRC Form-741), concise note forms (DOE/NRC Form-740M), Material Balance Reports (DOE/NRC Form-742), and Physical Inventory Listing reports (DOE/NRC Form -742C).

There is no cost or prerequisites for the course. Individuals interested in attending should contact Donna Hinton at [dhinton@nacintl.com](mailto:dhinton@nacintl.com) or (678) 328-1131. Directions and logistical information will be provided to confirmed registrants prior to the course.

## Remaining 2004 NMMSS Holidays

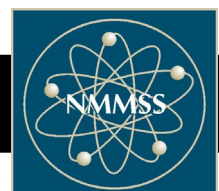
Please note that NMMSS will be closed on the following days to observe these holidays.

| Dates in 2004 | Occasion               |
|---------------|------------------------|
| November 25   | Thanksgiving Day       |
| November 26   | Day after Thanksgiving |
| December 24   | Christmas Eve          |
| December 31   | New Years Holiday      |

## NMMSS On-Line RIS Updates

As a reminder, the NMMSS allows NRC and DOE facilities to electronically submit RIS updates via the NMMSS website. The website can be accessed at <http://www.nmmss.com/onlinerisapp/> and provides detailed instructions on how to submit changes via the Internet.

When RIS changes are submitted to the NMMSS facility, NMMSS saves an electronic copy of the changes and immediately begins processing the information. Allowing facilities to submit changes this way reduces time spent on the phone verifying changes, ensures that NMMSS has the correct RIS



change information, and provides facilities the flexibility to submit changes when convenient.

For questions pertaining to the use of the NMMSS On-Line RIS Update Application website, contact the NMMSS Technical Team Lead, Sam Brown at 678-328-1129 or [sbrown@nacintl.com](mailto:sbrown@nacintl.com).

## Transaction And Inventory Due Dates For DOE Sites

Please note NMMSS transaction and inventory due dates for DOE sites are as follows.

| Reporting Month | Transactions Due | Inventory Due |
|-----------------|------------------|---------------|
| October 2004    | November 10      | November 15   |
| November 2004   | December 10      | December 15   |
| December 2004   | January 12       | January 18    |
| January 2005    | February 10      | February 15   |
| February 2005   | March 10         | March 15      |
| March 2005      | April 12         | April 15      |

## Calendar Of Events

| Dates                | Events   |
|----------------------|--|
| February 15-17, 2005 | NMMSS Licensee Training, Atlanta                 |
| May 24-26, 2005      | NMMSS Users Annual Training Meeting, New Orleans |

## What Lies Ahead?

Now that foreign obligations tracking has been fully implemented and ownership codes have been consolidated, it is time to look at what lies ahead. As the users of NMMSS and those on the front lines of materials control and accountability, you are the ones who know the direction materials accounting should take.

We are looking for people to step up to the challenge and lead us into the future.

If you have topics on which you could speak or lead a discussion for 15-20 minutes at the NMMSS Users Annual Training Meeting, we encourage you to volunteer to be a session leader! You may choose group or individual presentations, panel or open discussions, or debates as the format. Several licensees have already expressed an interest in participating. We welcome their commitment and support their desire to lead *Materials Accounting for the Future*.

Come to New Orleans May 24-26 and be a leader at the 2005 NMMSS Users Annual Training Meeting.

Contact Donna Hinton at [dhinton@nacintl.com](mailto:dhinton@nacintl.com) and tell her that you too want to lead *Materials Accounting for the Future*.

## DOE Policy Point-of-Contact

DOE policy questions and issues involving the DOE M 474.1-2A that have in the past been handled by John Shultz should now be addressed to Debarah Smith (301-903-5122 or [debarah.smith@hq.doe.gov](mailto:debarah.smith@hq.doe.gov)). John has taken a new position in Continuity of Operations (COOP) planning. He will stay engaged on a part-time basis to work on the streamlined Manual to bring it back in line with DOE M 474.1-2A, and may from time-to-time work on MC&A/NMMSS related tasks.

