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NMMSS Upgrade Status

The Department of Energy (DOE), the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), NMMSS staff and Washington Savannah River Company staff participated in a meeting on August 21-22 to discuss the status of the NMMSS Upgrade. All parties agreed that the remaining project and implementation schedule should allow for the potential use of contingency. The team expects that during the summer of 2008, full parallel testing of the NMMSS Upgrade will occur. In addition, DOE and NRC jointly concurred with a proposed NRC revision of the effective date of NUREG/BR-0006 and NUREG/BR-0007 until January 1, 2009, to allow for potential contingency. The NRC representative informed the attendees that the NRC will seek to enact this revision.

Draft NMMSS D-23 and D-24 Reports Available for Review

The drafts of the NMMSS directories [D-23 \(Personal Computer Data Input for Department of Energy Contractors\)](#) and [D-24 \(Personal Computer Data Input for Nuclear Regulatory Commission Licensees\)](#) are available at www.nmmss.com for your review. They are located under the "Training & Info." menu, "NMMSS Reports" sub-menu, and the DOE and NRC sub-menus, respectively. These directories contain the reporting formats (XML and 80-column) which will be required when the NMMSS Upgrade becomes system of record. Please direct any comments on the directories to Sam Brown, NMMSS Technical Team Lead, at sbrown@nacintl.com.

2008 NMMSS Users Annual Training Meeting

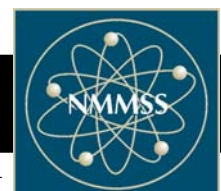


The 2008 NMMSS Users Annual Training Meeting will be held May 20-22, 2008 at the Omni San Antonio Hotel in San Antonio, Texas. Planning for the meeting has started. In order to make the meeting as productive as possible, we need your input as to the topics to be covered in talks and open discussions. Please take a moment and provide your valuable views to us.

In addition, we are looking for volunteers to present talks and participate in roundtable discussions. Getting more users involved will make for a more interesting and useful meeting. Please forward your input to Dan Collier at 678-328-1120 or dcollier@nacintl.com.

NMMSS Reports in Adobe PDF Format

The NMMSS has the capability to send you reports in Adobe PDF format. To receive your report in this format, please call or email any NMMSS Nuclear Material Analyst and tell them which reports you want sent in Adobe PDF format. If you have a special program that extracts data out of the ASCII Text format or unable to install an Adobe reader on your workstation, you will be unable to get that report in Adobe PDF Format. Please inform your communications center (SIMEX or Direct Link) and other users of the reports that the format has changed, if you choice to receive your reports in Adobe PDF format.



Availability of D-2, D-3, & D-15 Version 2.4.2007

Version 2.4.2007 of the D-2 (Contractor Directory), D-3 (Licensee Directory), and D-15 (International Directory) is now available upon request. Contact Shirley Williams (678-328-1131 or swilliams@nacintl.com) today for the latest copy of the D-2, D-3, and D-15.

SAMS 5.0 Bugs

The NMMSS is currently working on fixing the following bugs in SAMS 5.0. 1) The 80-column export option for Transactions puts "*****" as a value for Element Limit of Error in the export file regardless of what the true value is for that field. 2) Attempts to export Transaction data out to an XML-formatted file produce an application error. 3) The install instructions in the README file is missing a step (action) related to saving historical data. The user's guide contains all of the steps related to saving historical data.

If you are aware of any other problems, please contact Sam Brown at 678-328-1129 or sbrown@nacintl.com.

Michelle Romano Resigns from NAC International

Michelle Romano resigned from her position as International Team Leader after serving 11 years with NMMSS. Michelle was responsible for international reporting and analysis activities pursuant to U.S. Bilateral Agreements for Cooperation and was instrumental in the implementation of foreign obligations accounting in NMMSS. She will be missed and we wish her well as she pursues other career endeavors. Since her departure, international responsibilities have been assigned as the following.

NMMSS analysts, Jessica Norles and Gary Hirsch, will serve as the foreign obligations specialists. Their responsibilities include processing and analyzing international and foreign obligations data, maintaining the International Nuclear Material Tracking System (INMTS), and reporting and reconciling imports, exports, and retransfer of

foreign nuclear material. You may contact Jessica at 678-328-1130 or jnorles@nacintl.com and Gary at 678-328-1117 or ghirsch@nacintl.com.

Brian Horn's New Contact Information at the NRC

Please note that Brian Horn of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission has recently moved to a new office building at the NRC. As a result, Mr. Horn's mailing address, phone number, and fax number have changed to the following:

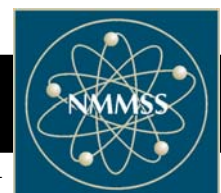
US Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attention: Brian Horn
Mail Stop EBB-2-C-40M
Washington, DC 20555-0001
Voice: 301-492-3122
Fax: 301-492-3359

Mr. Horn's email address remains unchanged at bgh1@nrc.gov.

New DOE Point of Contact for Foreign Obligations - Sonya Barnette

The Department of Energy has transferred the contact responsibilities from Peter Dessales to Sonya Barnett. DOE contractors will be receiving any foreign obligations/government notification information on imports from Ms. Barnette. Ms. Barnette will also be the primary DOE contact for foreign obligation questions and concerns. You may contact Ms. Barnette at 301-903-2068 or SONYA.BARNETTE@hq.doe.gov.

The NRC foreign obligations contact remains Brian Horn. Mr. Horn can be contacted at 301-492-3122 or bgh1@nrc.gov.



Current Obligation Codes

Transaction Code	MB Code	Description
31	85	Australia
32	86	Canada
33	87	Euratom*
34	88	Japan
35	89	Peoples' Republic of China
37	TBD	Switzerland
38	A1	Argentina
39	A2	Brazil
40	A3	Chile
81	94	Australia/Japan
82	95	Canada/Japan
83	96	Euratom/Japan
84	97	Australia/Euratom/Japan
85	98	Canada/Euratom/Japan
86	99	China/Japan
87	I1	Australia/Canada
88	I2	Australia/Euratom/Canada
91	91	Australia/Euratom
92	92	Canada/Euratom
WR	93	Former Soviet Union Weapons

* Euratom is comprised of the following 27 member states: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, and the United Kingdom.

Please contact Jessica Norles at 678-328-1130 or jnorles@nacintl.com if you have any questions about this list of foreign obligations codes. If you need to establish a new code, please inform the appropriate contact. For NRC licensees, the contact is Brian Horn, 301-492-3122 or bgh1@nrc.gov. For DOE contractors, the contact is Sonya Barnette, 301-903-2068 or SONYA.BARNETTE@hq.doe.gov.

Meet the Staff

This month's featured analyst is Pat Smith. Pat is a three-year veteran of NMMSS, with a prior extensive background in finance and accounting. Her previous work experience has proven valuable and has enabled her to become very knowledgeable of NMMSS operations in providing assistance and guidance to NRC licensees in the reconciliation process. In addition to reconciling NRC facilities, Pat provides routine support to the daily NMMSS operations.

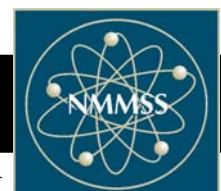
Pat and her husband Todd are anxiously awaiting the birth of their second granddaughter in August. Pat may be contacted at psmith@nacintl.com or 678-328-1113.

NMMSS Outreach

Outreach to our users who submit data to the NMMSS is one of our most important responsibilities. Although the NMMSS presents an annual users training meeting, individualized assistance is also available from the DOE NMMSS sponsor and NMMSS staff. By working with our user sites in their own environment, our dedicated team can discuss issues, share knowledge and experiences, and help resolve data problems. To request assistance from DOE Headquarters, please contact Peter Dessaulles on 301-903-4525 or at pete.dessaules@hq.doe.gov. If you would like assistance from the NMMSS staff, please contact Dan Collier on 678-328-1120 or at dcollier@nacintl.com.

Suggested Articles?

Do you have NMMSS related question or topic that you would like to see addressed in a future NMMSS News? If so, please forward them to Tina Barnett at 678-328-1126 or by email at tbarnett@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
August 2007	September 13	September 17
September 2007	October 10	October 15
October 2007	November 12	November 15
November 2007	December 12	December 17
December 2007	January 11	January 15
January 2008	February 12	February 15

Calendar of Events

Please note the NMMSS I Training Course for DOE, the NMMSS Upgrade Training Course for NRC Licensees, and the SAMS Upgrade Training Seminar, which had previously been scheduled, are being rescheduled and will be announced in the NMMSS News at a later date.

Dates	Events
October 9-11, 2007	NMMSS Training Course for NRC Licensees, Atlanta
November 16-17, 2007	SAMS 5.0 Training Seminar, Atlanta
May 20-22, 2008	2008 NMMSS Users Annual Training Meeting, San Antonio
To Be Determined	NMMSS I Training Course for DOE, Albuquerque
To Be Determined	NMMSS Upgrade Training Course for NRC Licensees, Atlanta
To Be Determined	SAMS Upgrade Training Seminar, Atlanta

2007 NMMSS Holiday Schedule

NMMSS Closed	Occasion
September 3	Labor Day
November 22-23	Thanksgiving
December 24-25	Christmas

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