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ALL AGREEMENT STATES

NATIONAL SOURCE TRACKING SYSTEM DATA TRANSACTIONS FOLLOW UP
(FSME-12-092)

Purpose: To request the Agreement States to review and follow up with their respective licensees to address unrecorded transfer receipts in preparation for the next National Source Tracking System (NSTS) Annual Inventory Reconciliation (AIR).

Background: At the end of every calendar year, the NSTS staff reviews source transfer information in preparation for the NSTS AIR. The review is done to avoid potential issues during the AIR such as cases where a receiving licensee has not reported receipt of a source in NSTS. When a source is not reported as "received" by the receiving licensee, the source information remains in the sender's inventory in NSTS until the receiving licensee completes the transaction. Per the NSTS regulations set forth in 10 CFR 20.2207, licensees are required to report source receipts by the close of the next business day after the transaction (i.e., after physically receiving the source).

Discussion: A review of unrecorded transfer receipts in NSTS yielded over 30 records with more than half being 30 days or more overdue. There are 4 specific instances where the reports are more than 90 days overdue. Licensees with online access to NSTS are made aware of their unrecorded transfer receipts through alerts that are automatically generated by NSTS. An alert notification is sent five days after the estimated arrival date if the status is still pending. For licensees that do not have online access to NSTS, the alert is sent to the alert manager for the Agreement State.

Untimely receipt reporting by licensees is problematic because not only are licensees out of compliance with the regulations but also the source information appears in the incorrect inventory in NSTS. These discrepancies require more follow up, which can delay the completion of the licensee's AIR. The NSTS staff kindly requests the Agreement States to review their licensee's data in NSTS and take appropriate actions to resolve the issues before the 2013 AIR begins in January. Any questions related to the NSTS alerts or how to resolve these unrecorded transfer receipts in NSTS should be addressed to the Help Desk at 1-877-671-6787 or at NSTSHelp@nrc.gov.

If you have any questions regarding this communication, please feel free to contact me at (301) 415-3340 or the individual named below:

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