

## **DOE/NNSA Off-Site Source Recovery Program**

RLA9081 Strengthening Cradle-to-Grave Control of Radioactive Sources

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 OSRP's mission – two decades of recovering excess, unwanted, abandoned, and orphaned radioactive sealed sources in the interest of national security and public health and safety













## Introduction

OSRP is sponsored by the NNSA Office of Global Material Security's Office of Radiological Security

- Recovery of
  - TRU, US origin, defense-related sources (Pu-239, Pu-238, Am-241, Cf-252, Cm-244)
  - non-TRU not-commercially-disposable sources (Sr-90, Cs-137, Co-60, Ir-192, Ra-226)..."high activity beta-gamma emitting devices"

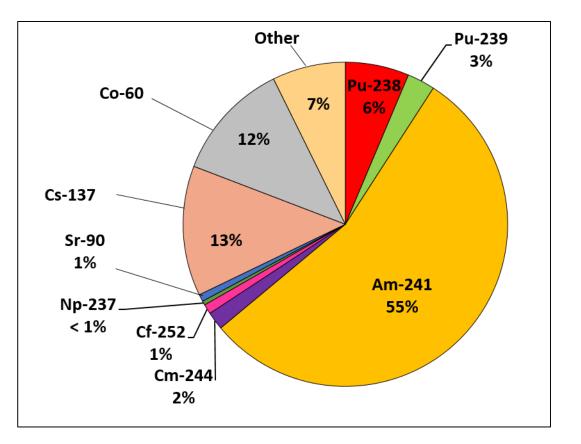


<sup>238</sup> Pu	<sup>90</sup> Sr
<sup>239</sup> Pu	<sup>137</sup> Cs
<sup>241</sup> Am	<sup>60</sup> Co
<sup>252</sup> Cf	<sup>192</sup> lr
<sup>244</sup> Cm	<sup>226</sup> Ra



## Sealed Sources Recovered by Isotope

- 67% of the sources recovered are TRU
- 26% of the sources recovered are high-activity beta-gamma







## **Source Registration**

- Globally, over 3000 sites have registered more than 70,000 sources
- OSRP has recovered nearly 40,000 disused and unwanted sources
- This represents about 1.25 million Curies of radioactive material from around the world.



OSRP helps licensees register and qualify sources for recovery... **Register sources at osrp.lanl.gov** 









## **OSRP Operations Worldwide**

- Sources have been removed from 1,400 sites including all 50 states and 25 other countries.
- OSRP also participates in training activities (Search & Secure), assessments, and IAEA technical consultancies











## Types of Licensees and Source Applications

- Licensees: private industry, universities, hospitals, DOE labs, and other governmental sites
- Applications: industrial radiological devices (moisturedensity, thickness gauges etc.), medical devices (blood irradiators, radiotherapy), research, nuclear power plants, etc.





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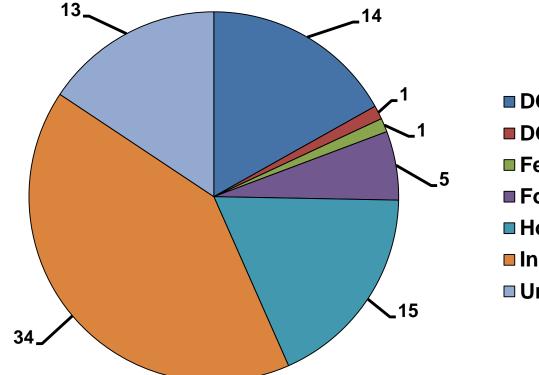


IPL Am-241 XFB-3





### **Source Recovery Sites in FY16**



DOE Site
DOD Site
Federal Agency
Foreign Entity
Hospitals
Industry
Universities





## **Drums Used for TRU Source Packaging**







**S100** 

**S300** 

12" POC









## Type of SFC Models for TRU Packaging



Special Form Capsules: Model I, Model II, Model III have different internal volume and limits on source activity and weight loading





- Licensee packages and ships the sources to an interim staging site
- Licensee must use a shipper trained to DOT requirements
- Ideal option for licensees who want to expedite the removal of their sources
- AK and activity under A value DOT limit requirements must be met
- OSRP can provide Type A drums for self-ships





## Do you have unwanted sources?

#### Register sources at osrp.lanl.gov

- Register unwanted sources with OSRP for recovery consideration.
- Recovery is generally prioritized on the basis of activity and level of security.
- Where numerous sources of lower activity are present at a single location, consideration is given to the total activity from a security perspective.

Registration of sources does not guarantee recovery by OSRP

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## **Type B Container Development and Supply**

ORS initiated development of two new Type B containers:

- Model 435-B: general use for transport of self-shielded devices
- Model 380-B: large, shielded container to transport a majority of high-activity beta/gamma-emitting sealedsource devices



Assembled 435-B container ready for leak testing





## **Containers for Beta-Gamma Recoveries**



#### **435-B Drop Testing of Test Unit**







#### **435-B Production Unit**



- The S&S program launched in 2004 to address the problems of orphan sources.
- The program assists countries by developing indigenous capabilities so they can assess their orphaned and disused source problems.
- Since 2004, the S&S program has...
  - Deployed equipment to over 70 countries
  - Trained over 1,000 people
  - Secured 1,000s of sources



Abandoned RTG source









Search for sources in Georgia



# Through the S&S program, we provide radiation detection equipment to partner countries, which

- Gives country regulators capability to detect, locate & identify radioactive sources
- Enables regulators to implement regulatory control programs
- Helps countries build capability











## **Questions?**

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