

Regional TEPP Updates

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Recent MERRTT Training Updates
Improvements
&
Argonne National Laboratory
Test Fuel Shipments

2010 MERRTT Program Improvements

- 2010 MERRTT **Release Date 10/15/09**
- Implemented changes were based on exercise findings, student and instructor feedback
 - ✓ Revise all supporting training video clips to improve quality
 - ✓ Textbook practical added for the PIO Module
 - ✓ Picture Response Practical added as another Day 2 hands-on activity



Continuous Improvement Efforts

- A crosscheck of NFPA 472 competencies was conducted to verify radiological agent specific training competencies are adequately covered in MERRTT
 - All but three competencies for the awareness and operations level requirements are adequately covered in MERRTT
 - Those three competencies were incorporated into the 2010 MERRTT
 - Only a few competencies listed in the Agent Specific (AS) and Technician (T) portion of the standard were adequately covered in MERRTT



TEPP Training Programs

- Technician MERRTT – 8 hour program under development. Developed for technician level responders. MERRTT is a prerequisite
- Radiation Specialist Program – 40 hour program offered to radiation authority or advance hazardous material team type responders.
- Radiological Training for Hospital Personnel 346 - existing FEMA program. Offered by TEPP in conjunction with TEPP exercises.



Argonne National Laboratory Test Fuel Shipments

- Argonne is reducing its nuclear footprint & closing facilities; which is requiring radioactive shipments from the Laboratory
- One planned shipment is test fuel specimen which is being managed as a “Spent Nuclear Fuel Transport” and will meet all DOT rules
- DOE approved Transportation Plan has been developed and shared with States for their input; TRANSCOM will monitor the shipment in transit









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