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**Information Notice 18-02**

To: All California Radioactive Materials Licensees

Subject: Requirement for “Decommissioning Service Providers” to Have an Active Radioactive Materials License.

The purpose of this Information Notice is to provide clarification of the licensing requirements for those entities who provide decontamination and/or decommissioning services. A Decommissioning Service Provider (DSP) is a contractor who performs radiologic surveys and/or decontamination work. It is the responsibility of the Radioactive Materials License (RML) customer to ensure that the DSP has an active and current RML specifically authorizing these activities.

DSPs provide a valuable service because their unique blend knowledge, skills, expertise, policies, procedures and equipment used in support of decontamination and/or decommissioning activities. By requiring RMLs for DSPs, RHB ensures the DSP is qualified to safeguard the health and safety of workers along with the general public. Additionally, unlicensed entities may encounter conditions that require a license but may not be aware of regulatory requirements such as:

Title 17, California Code of Regulations, Section (CCR) 30256 (d) requires that a licensee shall submit a plan for completion of decommissioning if the procedures necessary to carry out decommissioning have not been previously approved by the Department and could increase potential health and safety impacts to workers.

17 CCR 30256 (k) requires that RAM has been properly disposed, reasonable efforts have been made to eliminate residual contamination (if present), and the premises are suitable for release for unrestricted use as determined by the Department.



Failure to follow this Information Notice may result in the rejection of decontamination and/or decommissioning requests.

Regards,

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