



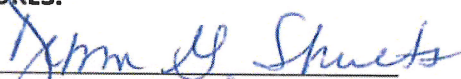
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**Implementation Guidance for Fee per Pound Regulations**

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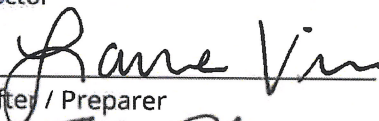
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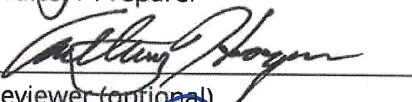
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- I. PURPOSE:**  
To outline and provide guidance for interpreting the Fee per pound requirements for disposal and processing facilities.
- II. SCOPE:**  
This guidance is to be followed by the Division of Radiological Health Waste Management. It is intended to comply with applicable State of Tennessee and Nuclear Regulatory Commission requirements.
- III. RESPONSIBILITIES:**  
Radioactive Waste Management



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**IV. REQUIREMENTS:**

- I. In 0400-20-10-.31(8)(d), the term "processing, storage, disposal or refurbishing facility" is to be interpreted as "Disposal/Processing Facility", as used elsewhere in this subparagraph (d) and as defined in 0400-20-10-.32(3)(c).

For the purpose of interpreting "Disposal/Processing Facility", terminology used therein is explained below:

1. Refurbishing - any operation to remove or attempt to remove radioactive contamination from an item contaminated with radioactive material, or to restore an item to a condition suitable for reuse for its original intended purpose.
2. Processing - any operation that involves the packaging, repackaging, handling, sorting, storage, survey for release, compacting, incinerating, melting, or operation of a similar nature, of items contaminated or potentially contaminated with radioactive material.

The amount of the fee shall be determined by the weight of material received at the disposal/processing facility. All materials received for processing or refurbishing that are contaminated or potentially contaminated are subject to the fee regardless of whether they are ultimately disposed as radioactive waste, recycled, reused, or released as non-radioactive in accordance with approved guidelines. The only exceptions are for containers to be re-used (e.g. B-25 boxes, cask, etc.), in which materials were shipped to the disposal/processing facility. This fee shall not be applied to items such as scaffolding, ladders, B-25 boxes, casks, etc., which were owned by the disposal/processing facility prior to becoming contaminated, and are being held for re-use, and not entering the waste stream.

- II. Guidance for \$0.02 per pound when a Tennessee Radioactive Material Licensed disposal/processing facility is a DOE contractor/subcontractor:

The owner or operator must report the total poundage of waste received each month for invoicing per SRPAR rule 0400-20-10-.31(8)(d) including waste received from DOE as a contractor/subcontractor.



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SRPAR 0400-20-10-.32(5)(e) only exempts a contractor or subcontractor to DOE that is an owner or operator of a disposal/processing facility from the requirement in 0400-20-10-.32(5)(d) to list the specific name and address of the shipper and the volume and poundage of waste received from DOE in the monthly report.

SRPAR 0400-20-10-.32(5)(e) does not exempt the owner or operator of a disposal/processing facility from the requirements in rule 0400-20-10-.31(8)(d).

**V. REVISION HISTORY:**

| <b>Revision Number</b> | <b>Date</b> | <b>Brief Summary of Change</b>                            |
|------------------------|-------------|---|
| 0                      | 09/17/2013  | Initial guidance  |
| 1                      | 01/22/2020  | Updated guidance format and added section II requirements |