

CSG's Midwestern Radioactive Materials Transportation Project

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Regional groups as “anchors”

“State regional groups will anchor our collaborative process with the states.”

*Strategic Plan for the Safe Transportation of Spent Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Waste to Yucca Mountain:
A Guide to Stakeholder Interactions (2003)*

Background on CSG

- ◆ The Council of State Governments (CSG) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan association of state governments
- ◆ Mission: build leadership skills, advocate multi-state problem solving and partnerships; interpret changing national and international conditions; promote sovereignty of the states

Background on CSG

- All 50 states are members; associate members include several Canadian provinces and U.S. territories.
- Groups such as NEMA are affiliated with CSG.
- CSG has offices in Lexington, Kentucky; Washington, DC; New York; Atlanta; Sacramento; and Lombard, Illinois.

CSG's Midwestern region

- Midwestern Governors Association
- Midwestern Legislative Conference
- Midwestern Radioactive Materials Transportation Committee



CSG's Midwestern Radioactive Materials Transportation Project

- ◆ CSG Midwest and OCRWM entered into their first cooperative agreement in 1989.
- ◆ The transportation project has three main components: regional committee, shipment planning, and public information.
- ◆ In 1998, EM replaced OCRWM as sponsor.
- ◆ OCRWM resumed its support of the cooperative agreement in 2003.

Midwestern Radioactive Materials Transportation Committee

- ◆ Purpose is to identify, prioritize, and resolve regional issues related to radioactive waste transportation
- ◆ 12 gubernatorial appointees, 7 legislative members
- ◆ Involved in shipment planning and public information

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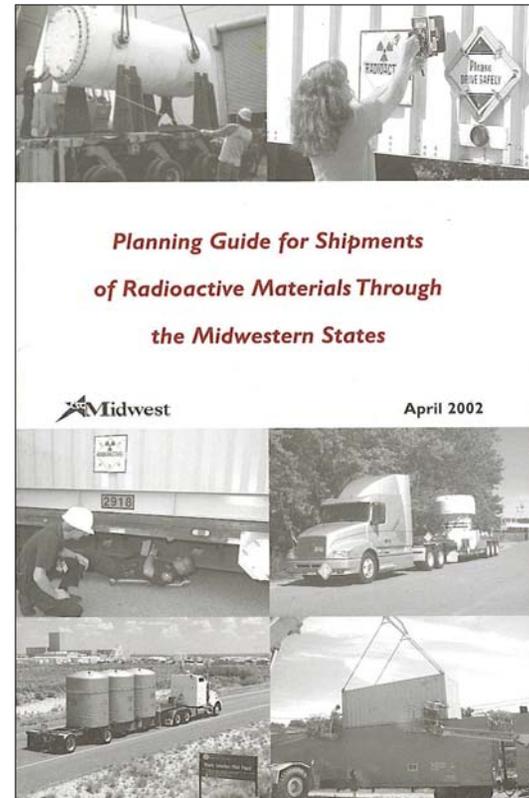
- ◆ Involved in DOE Activities
 - TEC/WG
 - Routing Papers
 - MERRTT Modules
 - DOE Transportation Practices Manual
 - Section 180(c)

Shipment planning

- ◆ 1998-present: Foreign Research Reactor Program shipments of spent fuel
- ◆ 1999-present: WIPP shipments/intersite transfers of transuranic waste
- ◆ 2001 and 2003: West Valley shipment of spent fuel
- ◆ 2002-present: Oak Ridge shipments of DUF_6
- ◆ 2003: Oak Ridge shipments of spent fuel

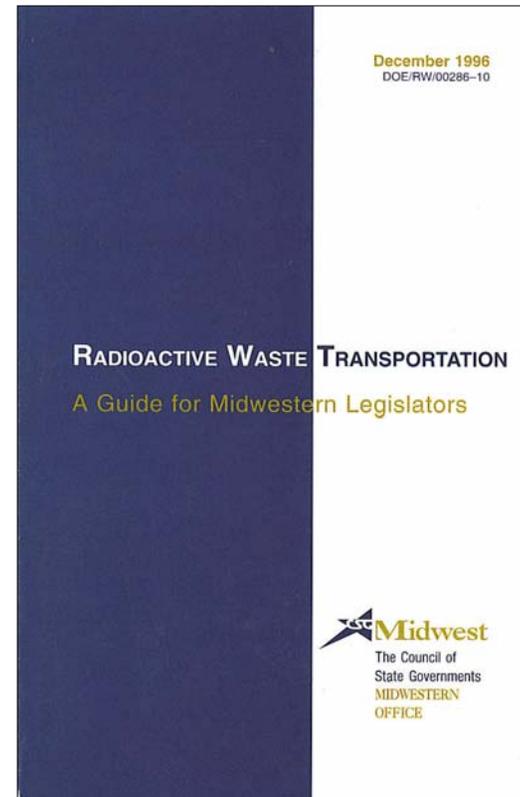
Public information

Planning Guide for Shipments of Radioactive Materials Through the Midwestern States (2002)



Public information

Radioactive Materials Transportation: A Guide for Midwestern Legislators (1996)



Public information

- ◆ Transportation Project brochure
- ◆ Articles in *Stateline Midwest* and other periodicals
- ◆ Information requests
- ◆ Web site:
www.csgmidwest.org





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Midwestern Radioactive Materials Transportation Project

The Midwestern Radioactive Materials Transportation Project is a joint venture between CSG Midwest and the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE). Since its inception in 1989, the transportation project has assisted the Midwestern state governments in learning about and providing input into the department's plans for shipping radioactive materials through the region. The cooperative agreement has also enabled the states on the shipping routes to receive financial assistance from DOE to prepare for shipments.

This Web site compiles information pertaining to radioactive waste transportation as it affects the Midwestern states.

Midwestern Radioactive Materials Transportation Committee

The committee is the principal activity of the Midwestern Radioactive Materials Transportation Project. The committee brings the Midwestern states together to work with each other, DOE and the states in the other regions to plan and prepare for shipments of radioactive waste and materials.

Shipment Planning

With shipments taking place as part of DOE's environmental cleanup and closure of former defense sites, the Midwestern states have been on the routes for several shipping campaigns in the past five years. Follow this link to learn more about the shipments that have passed through the region, and the influence the Midwestern states have had in setting the policies and protocols for making these shipments.



Future work with OCRWM

- ◆ Section 180(c) Assistance
- ◆ NRC Regulation of Transportation
- ◆ Rail Shipments
- ◆ Routing
- ◆ Full-Scale Cask Testing
- ◆ Barge Shipments
- ◆ Winter Shipments
- ◆ Mode Selection (closed)

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