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AUDIT SCOPE

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Qal-Tek's scope for radiation safety/radiation protection program audits includes a full assessment of our clients compliance with applicable federal and state regulations.

Our team utilizes the clients' authorizations (licenses and conditions) and all applicable federal and state regulations to evaluate the compliance of the program. This includes the following;

- Complete review of the clients' processes, procedures, and policies, including assessment of internal compliance with own processes, procedures, and policies.
- Review of clients' licensed material security, storage, use, and inventory practices.
- Interviews and discussions with clients' management and licensed material operators/users to evaluate staff's understanding of the radiation safety/radiation protection processes, procedures, and policies.

Upon completion of the onsite audit, our team will review findings, and determine the appropriate level for their disposition. This is broken into the following categories:

- Reportable/Unresolvable Findings -- These are specific or general deficiencies or incidents which require reporting to the appropriate agencies or which have occurred in the past which cannot be remediated. (example, overdue leak tests, overdue inspections, unperformed licensed actions, etc). (Qal-Tek does not report these incidents or issues but provides you with specific guidance on how and why the issue is reportable or unresolvable). Qal-Tek will provide you with the report of these issues to meet the requirement for non-cited violations during a regulatory inspection.
- Findings -- These are programmatic or specific non-compliances with clear violation with the regulations, standards or company policies and procedures.
- Recommendations – These are programmatic, specific or procedural issues that our team identifies which may not be clearly identified as potential violations but may be either interpreted by a regulator as a non-compliance or have potential to allow for the occurrence of non-compliances.

Separate from the audit, our team will provide you any costs for QTA to perform the resolution of the identified findings or recommendations. This is not mandatory but provides our clients with an option for easy and reliable resolution of the program issues.

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OUR MONEY BACK GUARANTEE

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At Qal-Tek, we stand behind the quality of our work. We understand that hiring a third party to evaluate your program should provide you with a peace of mind that your program will meet regulatory inspection expectations. As such, we provide our clients with the following guarantee of our service.

“If Qal-Tek performs and audit of your program and you undergo a regulatory routine inspection by the USNRC or an agreement state, we will guarantee our audit will eliminate any significant violations resulting from your inspection, or your money back!”

Terms: The guarantee will provide complete refund of all fees paid to Qal-Tek related to the audit, including all travel and labor. The following exceptions and rules apply;

- The cited infractions/violations must have occurred during the period which was audited by Qal-Tek.
- The cited infraction/violations must be covered by the same operations and license which was inspected by Qal-Tek.
- The guarantee does not cover any issues identified by Qal-Tek which are not resolved by Qal-Tek.
- The guarantee does not cover any reportable/unresolvable findings identified by Qal-Tek.
- The guarantee does not cover any documentation or incidents not provided to Qal-Tek during the audit.
- Significant violations are defined as NRC level 3 or higher violations. The guarantee does not cover Level 4 or non-cited violations or infractions.