Audit of the implementation of the Integrated Program for Radioactive Waste Management

Audit aim

To detect:

- Actual level of Integrated Program for Radioactive Waste (RAW) Management implementation;
- Legality, effectiveness and efficiency of the State Budget funds expenditure in 2002-2004 for the Integrated Program implementation

Audit subject:

- Order of the State Budget funds expenditure and financial accumulations from other sources in 2002-2004 for the Program implementation;
- Legal and administrative acts regulating funds utilization;
- Documents of financial and economic activity.

Audit findings:

- High RAW accumulation level in Ukraine;
- 4 percent of RAW is located in the Exclusion Zone (30 km around CNPP) in temporary depositories unadjusted to storage;

Audit findings:

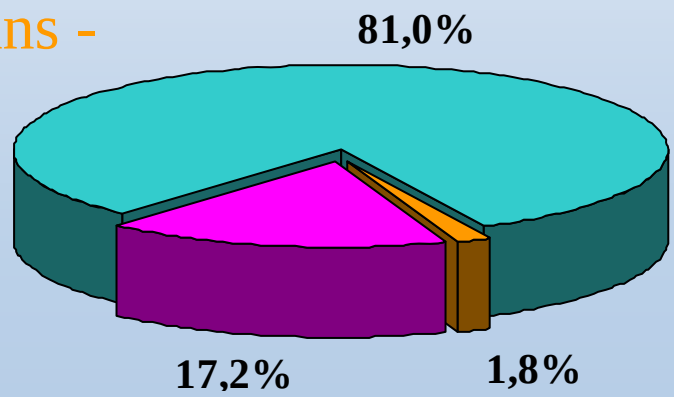
- About half (42 from 103) of activities are declarative and unspecified within the Integrated Program;

- Unified System of RAW state registration wasn’t established; state policy realization is carried out with absence of the reliable data.

Program financing for 2002-2004:

- Low financing level: 36 percent of estimated volumes were allocated from the State Budget; total financing - USD 110 million, including:

- State Budget funds - 17,2%
- International assistance funds - 81,0%
- Economic agents and Environment Protection Fund means - 1,8%



“Vector” Launching Complex construction site:

“Vector” Launching Complex is a system of industrial enterprises on decontamination, transportation, treatment and disposal of radioactive wastes located at the territory of the Chornobyl Nuclear Power Plant.

Audit conclusions:

- Unsatisfactory realization of the state tasks specified by the Integrated Program;
- Increase of RAW amounts endangers economic safety in Ukraine;
- Elimination of RAW effects are conducted unsystematically and financed insufficiently.

Implementation of the ACU recommendations by the Government of Ukraine

- An Action Plan on defects elimination was approved along with specified terms and officials in charge;
- Ministry of Emergencies was authorized to develop amendment draft to the Integrated Program for RAW Management for 2006.

ACU mandate limitations:
81% of Integrated RAW Program funds were not audited by the ACU (international assistance)

Facing challenges (rising demand for outer help)

Challenges overcoming via establishing **EUROSAI WGEA Special Subgroup** on auditing radioactivity and natural disaster consequences

Special Subgroup tasks:

- Conducting joint and parallel audits and exchange of information;
- Cooperation with EUROSAI and INTOSAI WGEAs;
- Drawing up recommendations and guidelines in the field of auditing radioactivity and natural disaster issues;
- Conducting the Chornobyl NPP audit regarding allocation of international donor funds;
- Conducting monitoring and exchange of modern methods and standards

Thank you for your attention!

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