



Surety Sector Report

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Surety Laboratories (COCOs)

- Battelle Memorial Institute
- Midwest Research Institute
- CUBRC
- Southwest Research Institute



Issues

- Laboratories operating effectively – few issues
- Inspections still major burden
 - May suspend live agent work for up to month/year
 - More inspectors than inspectees
- Over interpretation of OSHA
 - Medical requirements are a moving target
 - Using depot model with large agent volumes
 - Need for HAZOPER training
 - Daily health and heat stress monitoring



Issues

- Bureaucracy for transfer of agent between projects
 - Small volumes used (0.1 out of 1.0 mL)
- Availability of new antidote kits to civilian organizations
 - Mark 1s expire in 2009
 - Duodote or ATNA military or civil service only
 - May have to be GFE



Chemical Agent Testing Support

- Request sector representatives query members on chemical agent testing support
 - Source (USA, COCO, Foreign labs)
 - Type of support (detectors, materials testing, decontamination, etc)
 - Funding
 - DOD
 - Government agency
 - IR&D
 - Service provided
 - Ease of access
 - Timeliness and responsiveness of support
 - Quality
 - Other issues and/or comments