Office of Independent Oversight and Performance Assurance

Role of Independent Oversight

- Direct Report to the Secretary of Energy
- Oversight for both NNSA and ESE
- DOE's Corporate Oversight Entity
- Provides Independent Performance-Based Evaluations
- Well-Established Inspection Processes
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OA’s Technical Competence

- Dedicated Team of Experienced Inspectors
- Extensive Managerial and Technical Expertise
- Technical Qualification Program and External Certifications

Some Key Inspection Focus Areas

- ISM Programs
- Safety Systems
- The Unreviewed Safety Question Requirements
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DOE Line Management Safety Oversight and Contractor Assurance Programs

- OA is DOE's Corporate Oversight Entity Conducting Independent Evaluations of Both the Effectiveness of DOE Line and Contractor Oversight and Safety Performance

- Historical Perspectives

- Current Status

Summary

- Well established oversight processes conducted by a team of highly experienced professionals.

- ISM has resulted in improved safety performance, but improvements are needed in a number of areas.

- DOE and contractor safety oversight is improving but not yet sufficiently rigorous.