

Observations on Physical Protection

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This Presentation

- Takes into consideration the potential for a nuclear renaissance and the corresponding increase in the number of nuclear facilities that are potential targets for theft and sabotage of nuclear material
- The need to reduce the risk of such theft and sabotage by improved physical protection
- Some existing international instruments that concern PP of nuclear materials/facilities
- Achievement of increased security at reduced cost by incorporating security in design of facilities
- The need to attain synergism among security, safety and safeguards



Facets of Nuclear Physical Protection

State: Responsible for Physical Protection Regime

What to Protect

Theft Targets

- Category I amounts of HEU/PU/MOX
- Other Category amounts

Radiological Sabotage Targets (fixed/transport)

- Nuclear Power Plants
- Spent Fuel
- Other (e.g., low-level rad waste)

Who to Protect the *What* From

Design Basis Threat(DBT)

Design Basis Threat

Risk Management Decision: How Well to Protect

Requirements

- Compliance
- Performance

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- Compliance



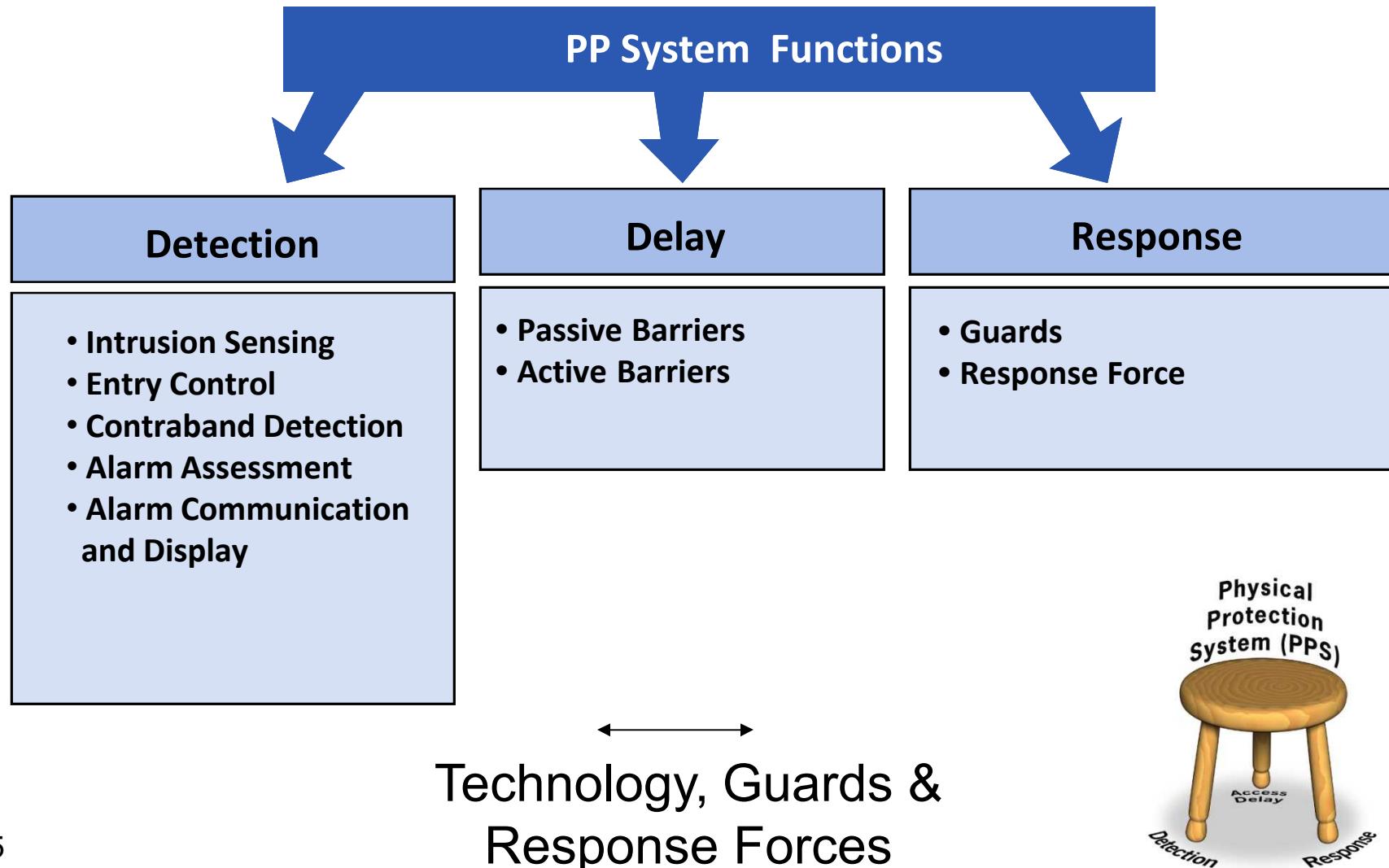
Example Detail Found in a DBT

	Protestor	Criminal	Terrorist
Likelihood of Potential Action			
Theft			
Sabotage			
Other			
Motivations			
Ideological			
Economic			
Personal			
Capabilities			
Number of attackers			
Type of weapons			
Explosives (Type and Quality)			
Transportation			
Power and hand tools			
Technical skills			
Level of funding			

- While not a Statement of Today's/ Projected Threat the DBT affects facilities designed based on it



System Functions to Provide PP





International Requirements and Recommendations for Physical Protection

- UNSCR 1540
- Amended Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material (CPPNM)
- INFIRC/225 (Rev 4): The Physical Protection (PP) of Nuclear Material and Nuclear Facilities
 - Elements of a State's System of PP
 - State Responsible for PP and Maintaining DBT
 - PP Requirements
 - Currently under revision to meet current threat environment and amended CPPNM



INFCIRC/225 (Rev 4): PP Requirements (Sections 6, 7, 8)

- Specific requirements:
 - Category I NM used or stored in inner area(s) within protected area (PA)
 - Intrusion detection at PA boundary
- Performance-associated objectives
 - Arrival of *adequately armed* response forces in time
 - Central alarm stations hardened against the DBT
- Performance-associated requirements
 - Regular exercise of coordination between guards and response forces



Increasing PP Cost Trends

- Countries moving from Compliance-based to Performance-based Security using DBT's
- DBT's have expanded in a post-9/11/2001 world
 - Toolsets demonstrated: vehicle bombs, aircraft impacts
 - Demonstrated willingness to inflict mass causalities
 - Announced intentions to acquire nuclear material
- PP systems have been enhanced as a result
 - Increased numbers of response forces, and their levels of training, weaponry
 - Enhanced security systems
 - Decreased response time





Reactors Designs in R&D Could Be Used in Facilities Needing PP 80+ years from Now

- Observation: DBT's tend to get more capable over time
- Issue: how does one design PP for facilities that may be operating in 2100?
 - Do not want to overbuild today
 - Adding security later is extremely costly
- Currently, design to meet today's DBT as set forth by competent authority
- Security by design will be important component of future facilities
 - Will help reduce life cycle physical protection costs



Design Option Studies for NPPs and Fuel Cycles

- Reduce sets of targets or harden them
 - Reduce number of Category I theft targets
 - Use “inherently secure” plants, processes, and materials against radiological sabotage
 - Associated issue: Maturity of understanding about sabotage sequences for non-traditional designs
- Improve passive security
 - Sizing of reactors to fit buried or bermed configurations
 - Use of remote handling and processes
 - Lay out facilities to maximize delays



Ensure Synergies Among Safety, Security, and Safeguards

- Designs that ensure synergies can have lower life-cycle costs
 - E.g., “inherently safe” and “inherently secure”
- Historically, such potential synergies have not been adequately addressed
- Achievement of such synergies may require changes in regulatory approval for the design or for an operating license



Summary

- The increasing number of nuclear facilities are potential targets for theft or sabotage of nuclear material.
- There is need to reduce the risk of such theft and sabotage by improved physical protection.
- Some existing international instruments provide guidance for better protection of nuclear materials/facilities
- Increased security at reduced life cycle cost can be obtained by incorporating security in the design of facilities.
- It is important to attain synergism among security, safety and safeguards to improve all three at reduced cost.



Backup slides if there are questions



Feature-Based Versus Performance-Based Physical Protection

Feature Based Protection

Definition:

- PPS design and evaluation based on specification and implementation of a ***set of required features***

Example:

- Two intrusion sensors with video assessment
- Security locks on gates, doors, and containers

Performance-Based Protection

Definition:

- PPS design and evaluation based on specifying and ***achieving an overall system effectiveness*** against the Design Basis Threat (DBT) or current evaluation of the threat for theft and sabotage.

Example:

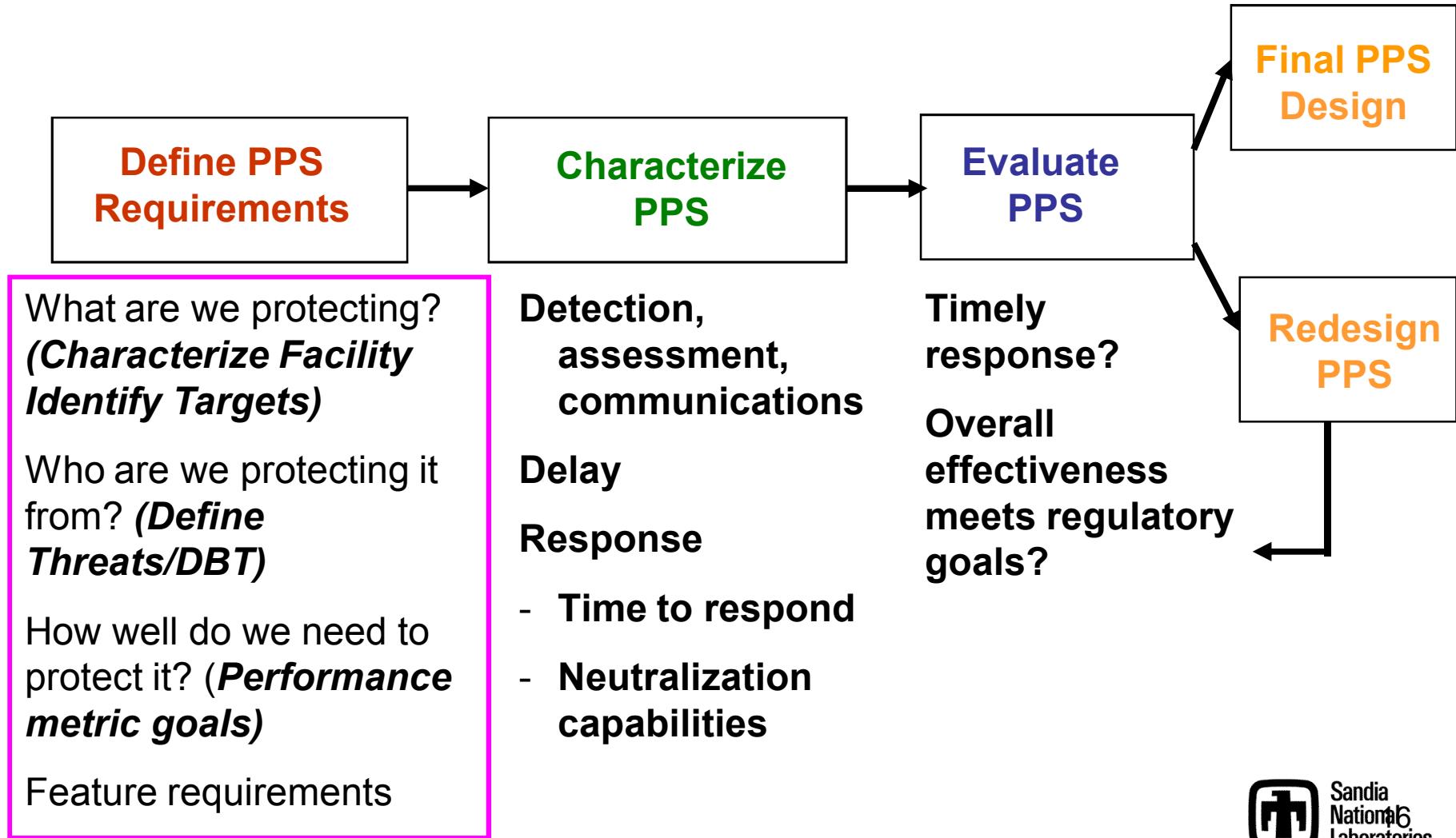
- PPS will, with a probability of P^* or greater, 1) detect intrusion and 2) delay unauthorized entry until the response arrives.



Evaluation Requirements in INFCIRC/225/Rev. 4

- 4.4. Evaluation of the Implementation of PP Measures
 - 4.4.1. *To ensure that physical protection measures are maintained in a condition capable of meeting the State's regulations and of effectively responding to the design basis threat, the State's competent authority should ensure that evaluations are conducted by operators at nuclear facilities and for transport.* Such evaluations, which should be reviewed by the State's competent authority, should **include administrative and technical measures, such as testing of detection, assessment and communications systems and reviews of the implementation of physical protection procedures.** Such evaluations should also **include exercises to test the training and readiness of guards and/or response forces.** When deficiencies are identified, the State should ensure that corrective actions are taken by the operator.

General Performance-Based Design and Evaluation Process





Define Design Basis Threat (DBT)

- A Design Basis Threat (DBT) specifies:
 - The attributes and characteristics of potential insider and/or external adversaries, who might attempt unauthorized removal of nuclear material or sabotage, against which a physical protection system is designed and evaluated
- The DBT is a policy document, not a statement of today's threat
- Value of a DBT
 - Provides technical basis for defining performance requirements used in the design and evaluation of PP systems
 - Supports efficient and effective allocation of resources
 - Helps provide assurance that level of protection is adequate



Performance Metric Goals

- Performance Metrics describe how well the PP System works:
 - System Effectiveness (P_E)
The probability that the physical protection system will defeat the adversary
 - $P_E = P_I * P_N$
 - Probability of Interruption (P_I)
Probability that the Response arrives in time to stop the adversary
 - Probability of Neutralization (P_N)
The probability, given interruption of the adversary by the response force, that the response force kills or captures the adversary, or causes the adversary to flee
- Examples of Performance Goals
 - P_I must meet or exceed 90% against outsiders in the DBT
 - P_E must meet or exceed 85% against outsiders in the DBT



Target Identification

- Target Identification: Where can the adversary steal material or cause radiological sabotage?

