Site Access and Science Working Group Report and Report from the GUV Center

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Overview

- Changes to FACTS and its impact on BNL
- Computer Use Agreements
- Update on National User Facility Organization
- Update on GUV Center



Changes to FACTS

- Result of an IG Audit of Foreign Visits & Assignments
- Changes will occur starting October 1, 2008
- Issue: appointments being driven by visa and passport status and not standard two-year approvals



Current Status

- Not based on I-94 cards which was initially believed
- Based on visa and passport so impact is less
- Unclear at present how to seamlessly extend people with short-term visas



Update on Expediting Approvals for non-US citizens

- January: > 200 registrations waiting 60 to 220 days
- September: 22 registrations waiting 60 to 238 days
 - 14 pending 60 to 68 days
 - 8 pending 72 to 85 days
 - 1 pending 238 days



Computer Use Agreements

- August 20, 2008 announcements went out
- September 30 compliance required
- Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR Part 727)
 requires signed Computer Use Agreements (CUA)
- BNL enforcing cyber security training
- Cyber training now has a one-year requalification
- Status
 - ~6000 guests notified
 - ~1350 have fully complied
 - 1426 cyber/no CUA
 - 80 CUA/no cyber
 - 3080 no response



National User Facility Organization

www.nufo.org

- Steering Committee holding monthly telephone conferences schedule
 - New members are being invited to NUFO
 - Planning outreach efforts
 - Collection of national user statistics
 - Participation in the Energy Innovation Infrastructure (March 2009 in DC)



NUFO and Task Force

 NUFO is a member of the Task Force on the Future of American Innovation

http://www.futureofinnovation.org/



Update from the GUV Center

- GUV Center has lost three employees during the summer
- Hours of operation have changed from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm
- Kelly will be going on maternity leave in November

