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"To protect public health and the environment by measuring radiation and radioactivity in our environment, and by evaluation of protective techniques through the timely measurement of radioactive contamination at nuclear facilities."

The Environmental Radiation Program performs the following functions: the program surveys radiation and radioactivity in the environment, estimates radiation doses to individuals and populations, and assesses the likely effects of specific radiation hazards. The program's technological capabilities supplement the administrative and regulatory controls of the Radiation Control Division.

This group serves as a valuable information resource for cost-effective radiation dose assessment and dose reduction techniques. The Environmental Radiation Program makes available its resources to managers of all facilities who might have an interest in this subject area.

VDH collects environmental samples for the following facilities:

- North Anna Nuclear Power Station
- Surry Nuclear Power Station
- BWX Technologies

- Northrop Grumman Shipyard, formerly Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock
- U.S. Navy Norfolk Shipyard in Portsmouth

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