(d) Cognizant Departmental managers are responsible for assuring that minimum quantities of precious metals are withdrawn consistent with work requirements and that quantities excess to requirements are promptly returned to the stockroom.

(e) Employee termination and transfer procedures shall include clearance for precious metals possession.

§ 109–27.5105 Management reviews and audits.

(a) Unannounced inspections of custodian’s precious metals inventory and records may be conducted between scheduled inventories.

(b) DOE organizations and contractors holding precious metals shall annually review the quantity of precious metals on hand to determine if the quantity is in excess of program requirements. Precious metals which are not needed for current or foreseeable requirements shall be promptly reported to the DOE precious metals pool. The results of this annual review are to be documented and entered into the precious metals inventory records.

§ 109–27.5106 Precious metals pool.

§ 109–27.5106–1 Purpose.

The purpose of the precious metals pool is to recycle, at a minimum cost to pool participants, DOE-owned precious metals within the Department and to dispose of DOE-owned precious metals that are excess to DOE needs. However, if the pool is unable to accept any potential precious metal return, the using activity will dispose of the precious metals through the disposal process specified in subchapter H of the FPMR and this regulation.

§ 109–27.5106–2 Withdrawals.

Pure metals, parts, fabricated products, catalysts, or solutions, are generally available and the Business Center for Precious Metals Sales and Recovery can provide assistance in supplying such requirements. Metals can be shipped to any facility to fulfill fabrication requirements.