Transferring Magnetic Storage Media Off-Site
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DOE CIO has imposed embargo on transferring magnetic storage media offsite.

- Applies to all labs (NNSA and Office of Science)
- Resulted from a problem at one of the NNSA labs with incomplete degaussing
- Until further notice, no storage media can be sent offsite

Article and CIO memo in FermiToday:
No storage media can be sent offsite for any purpose, including:

- Warranty repair exchange
- Charitable programs
- Disposal (including destruction)

Note this means no system can be sent offsite if it contains storage media
What this means

- **Storage Media can be transferred:**
  - If it was part of an evaluation system owned by someone else (observe sanitization procedures)
  - To other DOE labs (not to universities, not to CERN or other non-DOE labs)
  - Note that systems can be sent offsite if the storage media is removed and stays at FNAL.
When Will it End?

- There is a verbal agreement with CIO to allow non-classified labs to lift embargo.
- Not clear when official permission will come.