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## ALL AGREEMENT STATES, MINNESOTA, PENNSYLVANIA

# DRAFT REVISION OF STP PROCEDURES TO INCORPORATE LETTERS OF SUPPORT GUIDANCE (STP-05-061)

In Commission paper (SECY-05-0056), "Agreement State Letters of Support," dated April 1, 2005, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC), Office of State and Tribal Programs (STP) discussed the benefits of a "letter of support" to assist Agreement State programs in addressing staffing and resource issues and in improving program performance. The April 27, 2005, Staff Requirements Memorandum approving the SECY-05-0056, directed STP to revise the following procedures: SA-106, *The Management Review Board;* SA-117, *Agreement State Project Officers (ASPO)*; SA-116, *Periodic Meetings with Agreement States Between IMPEP and Reviews;* and SA-122, *Heightened Oversight and Monitoring.* 

The procedures are revised and provided for your review and comment. STP Procedure SA-117 was previously revised, sent for review and comment in 2003. This draft revision includes comments (All Agreement States Letter STP-03-075) received in 2003 from the Agreement States, the Office of Nuclear Materials Safety and Safeguards and the Office of General Counsel. Also, we have included the Summary of Comments from the 2003 revision. Changes to the procedures are in redline/strikeout format. We are requesting your comments within 45<sup>°</sup> days from the date of this letter.

If you have any questions regarding this communication, please contact me at 301-415-3340 or the individuals named below.

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