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June 6, 2000

Dear Colleagues:

This is to inform you that I have made the decision to retire from my position with DHEC, effective June 30, 2000. However, I will remain part time as a consultant for an indefinite period, and will generally be in the office on Mondays and Tuesdays each week.

Upon my retirement and to improve program requirements, the Division of Radioactive Waste Management will be merged with the Division of Hazardous and Infectious Waste Management. Mr. Henry J. Porter has been named the Assistant Director for the combined divisions. Among his other duties, he will assume my management responsibilities for the radioactive waste licensing, transport permitting, and decommissioning programs with full signature authority for all licensing and enforcement actions, and he will be the principal contact. Mr. Rodney Wingard will be the Radioactive Waste Management Section Manager, and supervise the daily operations and activities.

It has been a pleasure to work with each of you over these many years, and anticipate mutual interests in the future since I plan to stay in this career field.

You may continue to reach me at (803) 896-4244, Fax 4242, or E-mail at autryvr@columb34.dhec.state.sc.us.

Very truly yours,

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