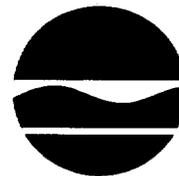


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Dear Mr. Lynch:

Thank you for your April 29, 2002 letter regarding the upcoming review of our radiation control program under the NRC's Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program (IMPEP).

The IMPEP questionnaire responses are being completed by our staff in the Bureau of Radiation, and we will submit it electronically, as you requested, by July 3. This Department has found IMPEP to be a constructive and positive process, and we look forward to meeting you the week of July 22-26, to discuss the review and tentative results of the teams' work.

Sincerely,

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