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Mr. Paul H. Lohaus
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Dear Mr. Lohaus:

The North Dakota Department of Health (Department) has reviewed the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) May 23, 2003 draft Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program (IMPEP) report of the Department's Radiation Control Program (RCP). The draft IMPEP report was sent under cover letter to Ms. Arvy Smith, Deputy State Health Officer for the North Dakota Department of Health. The IMPEP evaluation was held at the Department's office in Bismarck, North Dakota, April 22-25, 2003.

The Department has no comments or concerns with the draft report and agrees in principle with the findings of the IMPEP team. Department staff have identified several minor corrections and suggested wording changes. These have been marked directly on a copy of the draft report and sent as an enclosure to Mr. Lance Rakovan, the IMPEP team leader. The Department requests that Mr. Rakovan consider the staff's suggestions in preparing the final IMPEP report.

The Department will coordinate with Mr. Rakovan for the scheduling of the Management Review Board (MRB) conference. Since North Dakota has no significant issues with the findings of the IMPEP, North Dakota requests that MRB review be conducted via conference call. To minimize the set-up and coordination of the MRB conference, the Department would suggest the conference be conducted without video.

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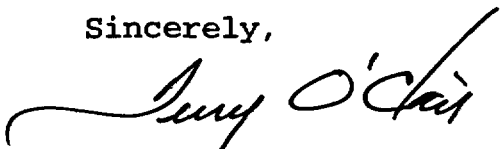
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If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact myself or Mr. Ken Wangler of my staff at (701)328-5188.

Sincerely,



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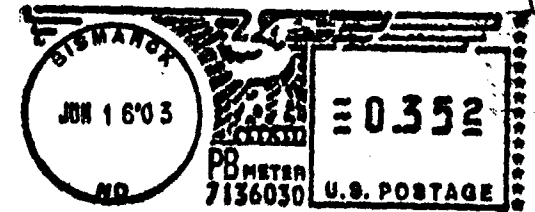
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