

June 3, 2005

Mr. Lawrence R. Jacobi, P.E., J.D.
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Dear Mr. Jacobi,

I have considered your request, made during the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) Regulatory Information Conference, for the NRC to provide copies of certain correspondence related to the Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program (IMPEP) to the Chair of the Texas Radiation Advisory Board (Board). I appreciate your interest in keeping the Board Chair informed of items related to IMPEP policy in general and results of IMPEP evaluations of the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) in particular. I have proposed the following two actions in response to your request.

First, I have reminded the NRC staff involved in IMPEP activities that our procedures call for a copy of the final IMPEP documents to be provided to the State Liaison Officer (SLO), who is Mr. Roger Mulder of the Texas State Energy Conservation Office. Mr. Mulder provides information regarding NRC activities to appropriate personnel in Texas' State government. We understand that Mr. Mulder, as SLO and also as a member of the Texas Radiation Advisory Board, will keep the Board and its members informed of appropriate IMPEP results. In addition, we discussed your request with Mr. Richard Ratliff, Radiation Program Officer (RPO) for the Texas DSHS, and he assured us that his staff provides copies of NRC correspondence to the Board as part of their routine coordination responsibilities.

Second, Dr. Dennis Sollenberger of my staff and Mrs. Vivian Campbell of our Region IV staff will be available to brief the Board at their September 10, 2005 meeting. The Board members would be briefed on the IMPEP process and would have the opportunity to ask any questions regarding any past reviews and the upcoming Texas DSHS IMPEP evaluation, scheduled for the week of September 12-16, 2005. Dr. Sollenberger coordinated arrangements for the briefing through Mr. Ratliff. We understand that the Board has agreed to the briefing.

I hope that these proposed actions have satisfactorily addressed your needs. If I can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me at (301) 415-3340.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Paul H. Lohaus, Director
Office of State and Tribal Programs

cc: Roger Mulder, TX SLO
Richard Ratliff, TX RPO

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