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Dear Dr. Hacker:

Thank you for your April 26, 2005 response to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) recommendations resulting from your Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program (IMPEP) review. These proposed actions were discussed with Mr. Robert Johnson, formally of your staff, as part of the Management Review Board meeting convened to discuss the results of your IMPEP review. We conclude that these corrective actions adequately address the IMPEP recommendations. During the biannual NRC periodic meetings with your staff and at the next IMPEP review in 2008, we will evaluate the effectiveness of these actions as well as the implementation of your overall program.

I appreciate the initiative taken by your staff to address the recommendations and the cooperation during the IMPEP process. I also want to acknowledge your continued support for the radiation control program and the dedication demonstrated by your staff. I look forward to our agencies continuing to work cooperatively in the future.

Sincerely,

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