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SUBJECT: DRAFT DOCUMENTS TO INCORPORATE THE INCREASED
CONTROLS INTO THE INTEGRATED MATERIALS
PERFORMANCE EVALUATION PROGRAM (IMPEP)

Enclosed for your review and comment are draft documents that will incorporate the requirements of the Transition Plan and the increased controls into IMPEP. The first document, a temporary procedure, describes the process to be used by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to monitor and evaluate NRC Regional materials programs and the Agreement State's actions in response to the Transition Plan. The second document, a temporary instruction, describes the process to be used by the NRC to evaluate the implementation of increased controls through IMPEP. We would appreciate receiving your comments within 30 days from the date of this memorandum.

Prior to finalizing these documents, NRC may need to use them as interim guidance. Any lessons learned in the process will be incorporated into the final version.

We are also currently in the process of revising Appendix A of STP Procedure SA-101, *Reviewing the Common Performance Indicator, Status of the Materials Inspection Program*. This appendix explains the methodology applied to calculating the percentage of overdue inspections in a State. We are working to incorporate inspections of licensees subject to increased control requirements into the current methodology.

If you have any questions regarding this communication, please contact me or Aaron T. McCraw of my staff at 301-415-1277 or via e-mail at: ATM@NRC.GOV.

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