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Terry,

Thanks for your call today regarding the NRC Quehanna license, and specifically, how to handle this with PA as an Agreement State in late 2006. I think you've got a good sense of the project status now, and that we expect to be working hard to finish this by mid-2006. There will be some technical review on the NRC's part to be completed in 2006, but again, I think we can get it done and the license terminated.

If not, as we discussed, to avoid any conflict of interest, we'll propose in our AS application that the Quehanna license be transferred to DCNR (the site owner). If needed, they can use our contractor's health physics staff as an RSO. If we need to go this route, as you said, it will be a simple license transfer that Region I can act on.

As Region I folks know, we were very surprised by the Sr-90 contamination found last spring, that seems to have leached from some of the concrete surfaces. Nonetheless, there is minimal contamination onsite at this point, but technically our (conservative) RG1.86 surface criteria doesn't apply. We're working thru that now with a proposed work plan and D-plan rev is in the works. A meeting with NRC Region I and HQs staff is being planned for mid-January.

Again, my hope is, we can have the license terminated by NRC in fall 2006, but if not, we'll use the transfer to DCNR as a back-up plan.

Regards,

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