

April 13, 2006

Mr. Gary Wright, Assistant Director  
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Dear Mr. Wright:

As you are aware, NRC is using the Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program (IMPEP) for the evaluation of Agreement State Programs. Per discussion with your staff, I will be the team leader for the follow-up IMPEP review of the Illinois program scheduled for June 6-7, 2006. The team will also include James Lynch, Region III State Agreements Officer.

On June 26, 2005, the Management Review Board (MRB) met to consider the proposed final IMPEP report on the Illinois Agreement State Program. During the meeting, the MRB directed that a follow-up review be conducted in the April-August 2006, time frame that focused on the State's performance for the performance indicator, Compatibility Requirements.

In accordance with the MRB's recommendation, the scope of this follow-up review will be limited to an assessment and evaluation of this indicator and the recommendation made during the IMPEP review. In addition, the team will conduct a periodic meeting and will use the guidance in the Office of State and Tribal Programs (STP) Procedure SA-116, "Periodic Meetings with Agreement States Between IMPEP Reviews," for conducting these discussions. This procedure was distributed to the Agreement States and can also be found on the STP web site.

The review team has an appointment with you and other appropriate State Senior Management Officials to discuss the results of the follow-up IMPEP review of the Illinois program on June 7, 2006.

If you have questions, please call me at 301-415-2320.

Sincerely,

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