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Dear Gentlemen:

As you are aware, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is using the Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program (IMPEP) for the evaluation of Agreement State Programs. Per our discussion, I will be the Team Leader for the IMPEP review of the South Carolina program scheduled for June 9 - 13, 2003. In addition to myself, the team will include Richard Woodruff, Regional State Agreements Officer, Region II; Anthony Gaines, Senior Health Physicist, Region IV; Christopher McKinney, System Performance Analyst, Division of Waste Management; and Michael Whalen, Senior Health Physicist, State of Massachusetts.

Enclosed is the document, "IMPEP Questionnaire." The questionnaire is being furnished to you electronically as well as in printed form. I ask that you send your responses by Internet to JHM@NRC.GOV or by disk to me by May 27, 2003. I am sending the questionnaire in advance of the IMPEP review in order to provide time for you to allocate the staff resources necessary to complete the document by the due date.

Part A of the questionnaire contains questions on the common performance indicators. Part B contains questions on the non-common performance indicators for Agreement States. Also included with the questionnaire is the document "Materials Requested to Be Available for the Onsite Portion of an IMPEP Review." We encourage States to have the items listed prepared prior to the IMPEP team's arrival.

I request that you set up an appointment with the appropriate State Senior Management Official to discuss the results of the IMPEP review of the South Carolina program on June 13, 2003.

If you have questions, please call me at 301-415-2328.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James H. Myers".

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Enclosure:
As stated

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