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Dear Mr. Virgilio:

Thank you for your May 23, 2006 letter in which you informed me of the results of the Management Review Board review of the IMPEP report on Arizona. I wish to take this opportunity to thank the members of the IMPEP team for their review and the very professional way they conducted the review.

We are particularly pleased that Arizona's Agreement State program was found to be satisfactory for the areas of Technical Quality of Licensing Actions, Technical Quality of Inspections and Technical Quality of Incident and allegation Activities. To correct areas that need improvement or were deemed unsatisfactory, our office has recommended a supplemental budget for the Agency as outlined in Mr. Godwin's April 10, 2006 letter. We recognize that improvement in these few areas will take some time, but we also believe that some evidence of the Agency's progress will be present at the time of the next review.

Thank you again for the very in depth review of our program. If you or your staff have questions about these or any actions of the Agency please feel free to contact Mr. Godwin.

Sincerely,
Dennis Burke
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