August 3, 2006

Nancy Wittenberg, Assistant Commissioner for Environment Regulation New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection P.O. Box 423 Trenton, NJ 08625-0423

Dear Ms. Wittenberg:

I appreciate your interest in conducting a meeting to discuss New Jersey's intent to enter into an Agreement with the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) under Section 274b. of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended. To date, 34 States have signed Agreements with the NRC, by which those States have assumed regulatory responsibility over certain byproduct, source, and small quantities of special nuclear material. The Commonwealths of Pennsylvania and Virginia are also currently pursuing Agreements with the NRC.

This letter is to confirm that a meeting to discuss New Jersey's intent to become an Agreement State is scheduled for September 18, 2006, at your offices at 401 East State Street in Trenton, New Jersey. The meeting is anticipated to last the majority of the day. Enclosed for your review is a draft agenda for the meeting, of which we welcome your comments.

Mr. Aaron T. McCraw, of my staff, has been assigned as the NRC Project Manager for assisting your State in the process of becoming an Agreement State. If you or your staff have any questions or wish to obtain additional information, please feel free to contact me at 301-415-3340 or Mr. McCraw at 301-415-1277. You may also contact Mr. McCraw via email at: <u>atm@nrc.gov</u>. I look forward to working with you and your staff in the process of becoming an Agreement State.

Sincerely,

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Janet R. Schlueter, Director Office of State and Tribal Programs

Enclosure: Draft Agenda

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Overview of the Agreement State Program September 18, 2006 Trenton, NJ 8:30 am - 4:00pm

AGENDA

8:30 am	Welcome and Introductions
8:40 am	Purpose of Meeting - Janet Schlueter and Nancy Wittenberg
8:45 am	Overview of the New Jersey Radioactive Materials Program - Patricia Gardner - Statutory Authority - Regulations - Staffing - Licensing Program - Inspection Program
10:00 am	Break
10:10 am	NRC Organization and Overview of the Office of State and Tribal Programs - Janet Schlueter
10:20 am	Background and Overview of the Agreement State Program - Janet Schlueter
10:50 am	Overview of the Process to Become an Agreement State - Aaron McCraw - SA-700 - Timeline - Lessons Learned
12:00 pm	Lunch
1:15 pm	Energy Policy Act of 2005 - Janet Schlueter
1:45 pm	Transfer of Complex Decommissioning Sites - George Pangburn and Jill Lipoti
2:15 pm	Once the Agreement is Effective - Duncan White and Aaron McCraw - Exchanges of Information - Technical Assistance - Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program (IMPEP)
3:15 pm	Break
3:25 pm	Future Activities and Schedules - Janet Schlueter and Nancy Wittenberg
3:40 pm	Questions and Answers
3:50 pm	Closing Remarks
4:00 pm	Meeting Adjourned