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Dear Mr. Virgilio:

This letter is in response to your May 23, correspondence that provided the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) final report on Florida's Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program review. In your letter you requested our evaluation and response to the one recommendation in the report that reads as follows:

The review team recommends that the State evaluate the effectiveness of their existing procedures and policies for marking and handling sensitive information and modify the existing procedures or policies, if needed, to ensure that documents containing sensitive information are appropriately marked in a consistent manner.

Subsection 119.071(3), Florida Statutes, states that security system plans held by an agency are confidential and exempt from inspection and public records requests. The Bureau of Radiation Control uses this authority to assure that sensitive information of this nature in radioactive materials license files is handled appropriately.

As part of this control of information, documents that fall into this category are marked to alert staff and licensees that this information is confidential and should be withheld from public disclosure. Since the review, the bureau has evaluated and revised the procedures relating to this issue to assure that all documents that fall under this statute are appropriately marked in a consistent manner.

I would like to thank the NRC and the team for their thorough and professional review of our Radioactive Materials Program. If you have any questions or need further details, please contact William Passetti at (850) 245-4266.

Sincerely,

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