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Mr. Terrence Reis, Deputy Director
Division Materials Safety and State Agreements
Office of Federal and State Materials and
Environmental Management Programs
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission T8-E24
Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

Dear Mr. Reis:

Subject: Submittal of Minnesota Department of Health's Final Rule for NRC Review

The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) has completed rulemaking, which becomes final on March 2, 2009. These rules accomplish the following:

- incorporate the rules for the National Source Tracking System [RATS ID 2006-2 & 3];
- incorporate *Medical Use of Byproduct Material - Minor Corrections and Clarifications Parts 32 and 35* [RATS ID 2007-1];
- address *Exemptions from Licensing, and Distribution of Byproduct Material - Licensing and Reporting Requirements* [RATS ID 2007-2];
- include the *Expanded Definition of Byproduct Material* [RATS ID 2007-3];
- change rules pertaining to *Occupational Dose Records, Labeling Containers, and Total Effective Dose Equivalent* [RATS ID 2008-1]; and
- implement MDH-initiated minor clarifications.

If you have any questions concerning the final rule, please contact me at (651) 201-4530.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "George F. Johns, Jr.", is written over a faint, larger version of the same signature.

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Attachment: Final rule

cc: Kathleen Schneider