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Rob Lewis, Director  
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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20555

RE: FSME Procedure SA-200, "Compatibility and Health and Safety Identification for NRC Regulations and Other Program Elements"

Dear Mr. Lewis:

The Executive Board of the Organization of Agreement States (OAS) has reviewed the subject document dated January 29, 2009. The OAS Board supports the addition of the Standing Committee on Compatibility (SCC) to the list of relevant offices whose concurrence is required for a Compatibility Resolution. This gives the States a voice in the resolution and allows OAS and CRCPD an opportunity for input.

The inclusion and update of the Compatibility Resolution Documents from past years and the changes resulting from the recent NRC reorganization, help to clarify Points of Contact and brings together documents developed and referenced in rulemaking.

We appreciate the opportunity to review the draft document and provide comments. Thank you for your consideration of our comments.

Sincerely,

Julia A. Schmitt, Chair  
Organization of Agreement States

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