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Duncan White, Acting Deputy Director Division of 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. Duncan:

The Department has received the comment letter with attached State Regulation Status Data Sheet dated October 24, 2011. The Department desires reconsideration of Comment 1 and Comment 12/13 of the April 30, 2003 comment letter. Our August 25, 2011 response letter addressed these three comments in regards to final regulation, though evidently this may not have been clear. Our current <u>Rules and Regulations for Control of Sources of Ionizing Radiation</u>, effective October 1, 2006, can be found at

http://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/aboutADH/RulesRegs/IonizingRadiation.pdf.

Comment 1 and Comment 12/13 dealt with RATS ID's 1995-5 and 1998-5, respectively. It appears the SRS Data Sheet should state "Final" concerning these two RATS ID's.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (501) 661-2107 or via electronic mail to <u>Bernard.Bevill@arkansas.gov</u>. You may also contact Angela Minden, Health Physicist, at (501) 661-2528 or via electronic mail to Angela.Minden@Arkansas.gov.

Sincerely,

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cc: Kathleen Schneider, State Regulation Review Coordinator