October 2, 2012

The Honorable Edmund G. Brown, Jr. Governor of California Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Governor Brown:

On behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, I extend our congratulations to the State of California on its 50<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of becoming an Agreement State. On April 18, 1962, your father, (then) Governor Edmund G. Brown, Sr., entered into an agreement with the Atomic Energy Commission to assume regulatory responsibility for certain radioactive materials under Section 274 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Agreement). This made California the third State to become an "Agreement State" effective September 1, 1962.

We commend the State on its successful efforts throughout the years in regulating the safe use of radioactive materials, thereby protecting the health and safety of the citizens of California and the environment from potential hazards or unintended exposures from licensed activities, as was committed to in the Agreement. We encourage your continued support of the important services provided by the Agreement State program.

We wish you continued success in these efforts and look forward to our agencies continuing to work cooperatively in the future. Please extend our congratulations to the staff and management of the Radiological Health Branch.

Sincerely,

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