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Duncan White, Branch Chief
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Re: Comments on Draft Oklahoma IMPEP Report

Dear Mr. White:

We appreciate the opportunity to comment on the draft IMPEP report. Please extend my thanks to the review team for their time and effort spent in giving us a solid independent assessment of our program. We are in substantial agreement with the draft report, but we do have a couple of updates on our progress on these issues.

- 1) As mentioned in "Status of Materials Inspection Program", experienced inspectors are now able to issue a Form 591 equivalent in the field, and are doing so.
- 2) We are implementing the guidance on control of documents, and have begun marking documents containing sensitive material as they are generated or received. We have received locking cabinets for staff members and a locking cabinet for a centralized repository that we had custom-built as a distribution point where staff members will store documents they aren't actively working on. Staff members are now locking documents not actually being worked on in these cabinets. Because of an administrative error, one staff member who handles sensitive documents didn't receive a locking cabinet, and we are getting one for him. We have gone through a round of management and legal comments on the draft policy for document handling we had at the time of the IMPEP, and expect to make further minor modifications to it based on experience with the system, and have it finalized prior to the MRB.

Scott Thompson, Executive Director of our agency, has asked me to convey to you how impressed he is by the IMPEP process, especially the use of clearly-defined standards and the involvement of state staff in the process. I look forward to the MRB, and we will of course have a current status report at that time. If you need clarification or other information prior to the MRB, feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mike Broderick', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

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