

August 8, 2016

The Honorable Pete Ricketts
Governor of Nebraska
Lincoln, NE 68509-4848

Dear Governor Ricketts:

On behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, I extend our congratulations to the State of Nebraska on its 50th anniversary of becoming an Agreement State. On August 29, 1966, Governor Frank B. Morrison 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 Nebraska the 14th State to become an "Agreement State," effective October 1, 1966.

We commend the State on its successful efforts throughout the years in regulating the safe use of radioactive materials in Nebraska, thereby protecting public health and safety, 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 Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services for their successful implementation of the Nebraska Agreement State Program.

Sincerely,

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Stephen G. Burns

cc: Julia A. Schmitt