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Dear Mr. Williams:

This correspondence submits final revisions to Virginia Radioactive Materials Program (VRMP) regulations, 12VAC5-481. These final revisions are exempt from Virginia's Administrative Process Act and public comment since they do not differ materially from those required by federal law or regulation. The revisions incorporate changes that the NRC brought to our attention by letter dated December 8, 2017 (ML17320B111) and they were reviewed and approved by Virginia's Office of the Attorney General. The final regulations are provided in the attached document titled "Virginia Register Vol 34 Iss 14 Final Regulation 12VAC5-481" in which the changes are annotated using line-in/line-out text. These final regulations correspond to equivalent NRC regulations found in RATS 2015-3 as shown on the attached "Final Comparison NRC RATS 2015-3 to Virginia Corrections" and are summarized below:

<u>Rats ID</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>State Section</u>
• 2015-3	Exemption for low-level materials	12VAC5-481-2970.B.1
• 2015-3	General license: NRC approved package	12VAC5-481-3000.B.3
• 2015-3	Quality assurance requirements	12VAC5-481-3130.A
• 2015-3	Changes to quality assurance program	12VAC5-481-3130.H

Please note that this regulatory action included a change to the definition of "Written Directive" in 12VAC5-481-10 that the staff identified as out-of-date, so this opportunity was taken to correct it.

We believe that adoption of these revisions satisfies the compatibility and health and safety categories established in the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS) Procedure SA-200.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me by telephone at (804) 864-8151 or email at steve.harrison@vdh.virginia.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steven A. Harrison". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Steven A. Harrison, Director
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Enclosures:
As stated.