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G. Wayne Kerr, Director  
Office of State Programs  
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D. C. 20555

Dear Mr. Kerr:

In our review of the "Guide for the Evaluation of Agreement States Radiation Control Programs," we find that we are in agreement with the need for such a document. The categories set forth would permit standard indicators for both the State and the NRC to evaluate the program.

Although we do not oppose the codification of the Guide, it is felt that it should remain as it was initially intended - a guide. Agreement States have had good relations with the NRC and with an uncodified guide, States would be permitted the latitude needed in their regulatory programs. If the Guide is codified, much of the latitude to respond to a certain set of conditions will be limited.

Though we may not be in total agreement with some of the comments made by other Agreement States, we do share their concerns.

Sincerely,

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