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MEMORANDUM FOR: Donald A. Nussbaumer, Assistant Director for State Agreements

Program. Office of State Programs

FROM:

Ralph S. Heyer, State Agreements Program, RIV

SUBJECT:

REPORT AND STAFF EVALUATION OF THE NEBRASKA RADIATION CONTROL PROGRAM (AUGUST 22, 1981 - NOVEMBER 10, 1982)

Enclosed is the subject report and staff evaluation.

As noted in the report, the staff did not offer a finding of adequacy to protect public health and safety nor compatibility with the NRC's program for the regulation of similar materials.

Comments and recommendations were developed during the review regarding the State's licensing procedures, training, staff continuity, inspection program, enforcement procedures, and inspection reports. Upon receipt and evaluation of the State's response to NRC comments and recommendations, a finding will be reached.

Based on the results of this review meeting, the staff recommends that the next program review be conducted within 6 to 9 months. It is recommended that this be a followup meeting specifically to review "Status of Inspection Program" and "Training" status of new technical employees.

> Original signed by: Ralph Heyer

Ralph S. Heyer State Agreements Program

Enclosure: As stated

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Ellis Simmons Director of Radiological Health Nebraska Department of Health 301 Centennial Mall South Post Office Box 95007 Lincoln, Nebraska 68509

Dear Mr. Simmons:

Enclosed is a copy of our report of the 1982 review of the State of Nebraska radiation control program for agreement materials. The report contains the findings of the NRC staff. The "Guidelines for NRC Review of Agreement State Radiation Control Programs" published in the Federal Register on December 4, 1981, as an NRC Policy Statement was used by the NRC staff as its criteria. The report is oriented to evaluation of the program and not the individuals. Consistent with this, we have excluded from the report the appendix reporting the resumes of new staff.

The results of the accompaniment and qualifications of the new staff were factored into our overall evaluation of the program.

If you have any questions concerning this report, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

John T. Collins

Regional Administrator

Enclosure: As stated

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