

Mr. Arthur W. Ray, Deputy Secretary
Maryland Department of Environment
2500 Broening Highway
Baltimore, MD 21224

July 6, 1999

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Based on the results of the current IMPEP review, a follow-up IMPEP review focusing on the State's licensing and sealed source and device evaluation programs will be completed in one year and the next full review will be in approximately 4 years.

I appreciate the courtesy and cooperation extended to the IMPEP team during the review and your support of the Radiation Control Program. I look forward to our agencies continuing to work cooperatively in the future.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Frank J. Miraglia, Jr.
Deputy Executive Director
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