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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555-0001

Dear Mr. McDermott;

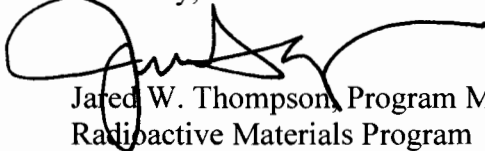
The Arkansas Department of Health, Radioactive Materials Program, has reviewed the proposed revisions to the Office of Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management Programs (FSME) Procedure SA-121, "Agreement State Liaison to the Management Review Board" and offers the following comments.

The proposed changes appear to clarify and strengthen the Agreement State Liaison responsibilities and actions throughout the IMPEP process for the State undergoing the IMPEP, the Agreement State Liaison, and the Management Review Board. The Agreement State Liaison will now be a participant in the IMPEP process granted by the Procedure.

The Department supports the proposed revisions to Procedure SA-121.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,



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