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OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON DRAFT REVISION TO THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR MATERIAL SAFETY AND SAFEGUARDS PROCEDURE SA-102, *REVIEWING THE COMMON PERFORMANCE INDICATOR, TECHNICAL QUALITY OF INSPECTIONS* (STC-15-057).

Purpose: To provide the Agreement States an opportunity to comment on the proposed revisions to the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS) Procedure SA-102, *Reviewing the Common Performance Indicator, Technical Quality of Inspections*.

Background: This procedure is being revised to update current practices and guidance, to address recommendations from the June 2010 IMPEP self-assessment, and to address organizational changes. The procedure incorporates guidance in Temporary Instruction, TI-001 and TI-002.

The NRC and Agreement State programs have successfully integrated increased security requirements for Category 1 and Category 2 radioactive materials into their licensing and inspection programs. Also, NMSS has incorporated the need to evaluate the program's performance with respect to security of Category 1 and Category 2 radioactive materials in its oversight program. NMSS procedures for reviewing the common performance indicators have been revised, emphasizing the evaluation of the program's performance related to ensuring the security of licensed materials. Specifically, existing common performance indicators have been revised to reflect evaluation of the program's performance with respect to security of Category 1 and Category 2 radioactive materials. TI-001, *Implementation of the Increased Controls*, and TI-002, *Integration of the Increased Controls into IMPEP*, will be withdrawn under separate cover after SA-102 is issued as final.

Discussion: Enclosed for your review and comment is the draft revision to NMSS Procedure SA-102, *Reviewing the Common Performance Indicator, Technical Quality of Inspections*. This document describes the procedure for conducting reviews of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Regional and Agreement State radioactive materials programs using the common performance indicator, Technical Quality of Inspections [Management Directive 5.6, *Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program*, referred to as *IMPEP*].

Please provide any comments on SA-102 and the withdrawal of TI-001 and TI-002 to the contact person listed below. We would appreciate receiving your comments¹ within 30 days from the date of this letter.

If you have any questions regarding this correspondence, please contact me at (301) 415-3340 or the individual named below:

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