

PETER SHUMLIN
Governor



State of Vermont
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

July 6, 2015

The Honorable Stephen G. Burns
Chairman
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555-0001

Re: Letter of Intent to Enter Into an Agreement with the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission

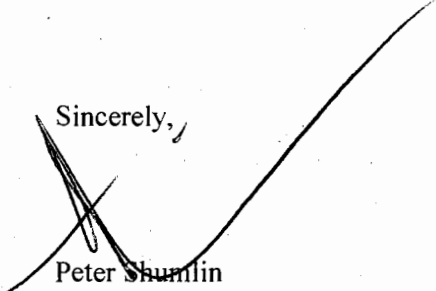
Dear Chairman Burns,

The State of Vermont is committed to regulating exposure to radiation to assure the protection of the public, workers and the environment. For decades, Vermont has managed an effective program for the use of x-rays in healthcare, industry and academia. We also have exceptional resources for radiological environmental surveillance and radiological and nuclear emergency preparedness. By this Letter of Intent, the State of Vermont hereby notifies the Nuclear Regulatory Commission of the State's commitment to become an NRC Agreement state in accordance with Section 274b of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 and to transfer authority for the control of radioactive materials not involved in energy production (e.g., medical and industrial radioactive materials) to the State of Vermont.

As Governor, I will ensure that Vermont dedicates the resources necessary to meet the requirements of the Agreement. Staff in the Department of Health have studied U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission guidance and evaluated records provided by your staff. They have worked for the past year on elements of the required Radiation Control Program. Based on this, our Agreement State work plan sets a date to complete work toward a final Agreement soon after January 1, 2017.

Dr. William Irwin, our Radiological and Toxicological Sciences Program Chief, is our Radiation Control Program Director. He is the contact for work on the Agreement. He may be reached by telephone at 802-863-7238 or by email at William.Irwin@state.vt.us.

Sincerely,


Peter Shumlin
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