

December 29, 1999

J. Dale Givens, Secretary  
Department of Environmental Quality  
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Dear Mr. Givens:

As you are aware, NRC is using the Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program (IMPEP) for the evaluation of Agreement State Programs. Per my discussions with Mr. Ronnie Wascom, I will be the team leader for the IMPEP review of the Louisiana program scheduled for February 28 to March 3, 2000. The team will include Mark Shaffer, NRC Region IV State Agreements Officer; Orysia Masnyk-Bailey from the NRC Region II office, Allen Grewe from the State of Tennessee and James Myres from the NRC Office of State Programs.

Enclosed is the document, "Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program Questionnaire." The questionnaire was previously furnished to Messrs. Ronnie Wascom, Chris Roberie, Mike Vince, Bob Hannah and Louis Johnson electronically. I ask that you send your responses via Internet to JLL2@NRC.GOV by February 11, 2000. I am sending the document in advance of the IMPEP review in order to provide time for you to allocate the staff resources necessary to complete the document by the due date.

Part A of the questionnaire contains questions on the common performance indicators. Part B contains questions on the non-common performance indicators for Agreement States.

Also included with the questionnaire is the document "Materials Requested to Be Available for the Onsite Portion of an IMPEP Review." We encourage States to have the items listed prepared prior to the IMPEP team's arrival.

I request that you set up an appointment with the appropriate State Senior Management Official to discuss the results of the IMPEP review of the Louisiana program on the morning of March 3, 2000.

If you have questions, please call me at (630) 829-9661.

Sincerely,

/s/ J. L. Lynch

James L. Lynch  
Regional State Agreements Officer

Enclosures: As stated

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