Mr. David J. Allard, CHP, Director
Bureau of Radiation Protection
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Harrisburg, PA 17105-8469

Dear Mr. Allard:

We have reviewed the proposed revisions to the Pennsylvania Radiological Health Regulations [25 PA Code Chapter 215] received by our office on March 30, 2015. These regulations were reviewed by comparison to the equivalent U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) rules and the requirements of the one amendment identified in the enclosed State Regulation Status (SRS) Data Sheet. We discussed our review of the regulations with Joseph Melnic on May 7, 2015.

As a result of our review, we have no comments. Please note that we have limited our review to regulations required for compatibility and/or health and safety. We have determined that the regulations, as proposed, meet the compatibility and health and safety categories established in the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS) Procedure SA-200, "Compatibility Categories and Health and Safety Identification for NRC Regulations and Other Program Elements." We request that when the proposed regulations are adopted and published as final regulations, a copy of the "as published" regulations be provided to us for review. As requested in NMSS Procedure SA-201,"Review of State Regulatory Requirements," please highlight any final changes and provide a copy to Division of Material, Safety, State, Tribal, and Rulemaking Programs, NMSS.

The SRS Data Sheet summarizes our knowledge of the status of other Pennsylvania regulations, as indicated. Please let us know if you note any inaccuracies, or have any comments on the information contained in the SRS Data Sheet. This letter, including the SRS Data Sheet, is posted on the NMSS Web site: http://nrc-stp.orl.gov/rulemaking.html.
If you have any questions regarding the comments, the compatibility and health and safety categories, or any of the NRC regulations used in the review, please contact Michelle Beardsley, State Regulation Review Coordinator, at (610) 337-6942 (Michelle.Beardsley@nrc.gov) or Robert Gallagher at (610) 337-5182 (Robert.Gallagher@nrc.gov).

Sincerely,

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