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Dear Mr. Brown:

Thank you for your letter dated July 17, 1995, in response to our comments and recommendations from our 1994 review of the North Carolina sealed source and device (SS&D) evaluation program.

We appreciate the positive actions that you and your staff are implementing with regard to our comments. In particular, we are pleased to learn that you have assigned specific personnel to the SS&D evaluation program, including training for back-up personnel, and that a plan of action has been developed and implemented for the reevaluation of all SS&D product evaluations. We have the following comments regarding the plan of action:

1. The discussion of priorities in Section III.A should make it clear that if an issue of health or safety is identified, it will be given the highest priority.
2. Some criteria (for example, activity level, isotope, number of devices in use) should be developed and used to establish the priority for the review and preparation of updated registry sheets for manufacturers other than Troxler.
3. The checklist should not be the sole tool used to update registry sheets. More detailed guidance was provided to your staff during the September 1995 SS&D Workshop. This guidance is included in the draft NRC SS&D standard review plan.

We plan to evaluate the implementation of the action plan during the next review of the North Carolina program. This review is tentatively scheduled for the week of December 11, 1995.

Mr. D. Brown

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Thank you for your continued support of the North Carolina program.

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