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Mr. Robert E. Nyce **Executive Director**

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RE:

Proposed Rulemaking - Radiological Health (Chs. 215, 217, 219, 220, 224,

225, 226, 230 and 232) (#7-335)

Dear Mr. Nyce:

At the request of the Department, the proposed rulemaking referenced above was withdrawn by the Environmental Quality Board (EQB) at its September 15, 1998. meeting.

Some of the comments received on the proposed rulemaking recommended that the Department incorporate many of the federal regulations by reference. In addition, there are new NRC regulations which were issued after this proposal was developed. For these reasons, DEP plans to develop a single rulemaking to incorporate by reference all of the NRC regulations. This new proposal is anticipated to be reviewed by the EQB in October 1999.

Please call me if you have any questions concerning this withdrawal.

Sincerely,

Sharon K. Freeman

Regulatory Coordinator