



December 22, 2015

Senator Clark J. Chapin  
Representative Brian Becker  
Legislative Regulation Review Committee  
State Capitol, Room 011  
Hartford, CT 06106

***Re: Repeal and Replace Radiation Regulations***

Dear Senator Chapin and Representative Becker:

Pursuant to section 4-170 of the Connecticut General Statutes (CGS), I submit for your consideration and approval a proposal to repeal and adopt regulations concerning the control and evaluation of ionizing radiation. The regulations include technical revisions that are intended to benefit stakeholders and regulated communities by alleviating burdens while helping the Department pursue its mission more efficiently. The Department's ionizing radiation regulations have remained unchanged since the early 1970's. The proposal addresses the significant changes in technology that have occurred with respect to the industrial and medical uses of ionizing radiation to ensure protection of public health and the environment from the deleterious effects of ionizing radiation. The proposal also incorporates standards based on more recent scientific information related to the health and environmental risks associated with ionizing radiation as published by the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements. Additionally, the proposed regulatory changes ensure state regulations are consistent with federal regulations and industry standards thereby providing the regulated community with uniformity and standardization for work practices involving ionizing radiation. The proposal has been well received by the regulated community.

If there are any general questions regarding this submission, please contact Robert LaFrance, DEEP's Legislative Liaison, at 860-424-3401 (office) or 860-622-1797 (cell). If you have any substantive or rule drafting questions, please contact Denny Galloway of the Radiation Division 860-424-3525. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Klee  
Commissioner

cc: Robert LaFrance, DEEP