



FEMA

March 16, 2023

Mr. Russell J. Strickland
Secretary
Maryland Department of Emergency Management
5401 Rue Saint Lo Dr.
Reisterstown, MD 21136

Dear Mr. Strickland:

We have reviewed your Annual Letter of Certification (ALC) received January 23, 2023 with attached documents, and additional information provided by MDEM on March 4, 2023, against the evaluation criteria contained in the Radiological Emergency Preparedness (REP) Program Manual Part IV, L, dated December 2019.

Our review of your annual certification submission indicates that appropriate activities were accomplished during calendar year 2022 and are in compliance with the periodic requirements contained in the REP Program Manual in the following areas:

- Update of Plans/Procedures and Letters of Agreement
- Radiological Emergency Response Training
- Drills
- 24-Hour Staffing
- Emergency Facilities and Equipment
- Responsibility for the Planning Effort
- Alert and Notification

For Public Information and Education, the MDEM public-facing website contains outdated information and your ALC indicates that this will be updated by April 1, 2023. Additionally, the Cecil County DEM public-facing website is under construction with an estimated completion date of late March 2023.

The information provided, except where noted above, assures that the requisite activities were completed during 2022 to protect the public in the event of a radiological emergency affecting the citizens of the State of Maryland. Please provide a written response to this letter when the Public Information and Education outstanding items have been completed.

If you have any questions, please contact the Technological Hazards Branch Chief, Thomas Scardino, at (215) 931-5546.

Sincerely,

Lilian Hutchinson
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FEMA Region 3