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**7 OFFICE OF GOVERNOR RONNIE MUSGROVE  
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** GOVERNOR  
**FROM:** BOYD  
**SUBJECT:** JIMMY PALMER MEETING  
**DATE:** JANUARY 2, 2002  
**CC:** RENICK

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Regarding your meeting with Jimmy Palmer, Region 4 Director, here are a few issues that you may wish to mention.

1. **Program Delegation**—Considering the current recession and budgeting difficulties, EPA should remain sensitive to state fiscal issues and their impact on all program budgets. (See fee bill article, Clarion-Ledger 1/2/02).
2. **Agriculture Aviation Board**—DEQ and I have been working with EPA on legislation that will improve the function and membership of the board per your direction.
3. **Audit Privilege**—DEQ has drafted legislation to address EPA concerns about the confidentiality of self-audit reports by corporations in Mississippi. The legislation will clarify that these reports are not confidential from criminal investigations.
4. **Air Quality Non-Attainment**—EPA is due to make decisions on the rules for air non-attainment by 2004.
5. **Superfund Sites**--Mississippi has approximately 4 such sites from wood products waste that may create liability for state government. Chisolm is not sure EPA prepared to deal with the liability issues, yet.