**To:**

**From:**

**RE: American Association of Dental Boards Membership**

[Greeting]

I am writing to request approval for an Agency Associate Membership with the American Association of Dental Boards (AADB). The AADB is a national association that encourages the highest standards of dental education by promoting higher and uniform standards of qualification for dental practitioners. As the national face of state dental boards, the AADB influences the licenses of over half a million oral health practitioners through the regulation of dentists, dental therapists, hygienists, and assistants by our governing members.

Membership in the Association is comprised of a wide range of individuals and agencies involved in the regulation of dentistry or the administration of dental education for any licensing jurisdiction within the United States or Canada. The benefits of membership include:

* **Networking:** The Association works with approximately 1000 oral health stakeholders. AADB is comprised of over 400 individual and agency members.
* **Reduced Rates for Meetings:** The AADB Annual and Mid-Year Meetings provide an excellent forum for keeping up-to-date with state board concerns. Panels and small discussion groups exchange ideas and information. Participants take away valuable information on current issues and all aspects of oral health regulation.
* **Member-Only Communications:** Access to the latest resources in dental and hygiene licensing and regulation
* **Clearinghouse:** Access to the Clearinghouse at a discounted rate. The Clearinghouse is a database of disciplinary actions taken against dental professionals in the United States.
* **Clearinghouse Monthly Reports:** Access to monthly reports that summarized the disciplinary actions taken against practitioners in the Clearinghouse.
* **Composite Publication:** Access to the Composite, an annual electronic publication that details the structure, licensure and disciplinary activities of all state dental boards.

A membership with the AADB will support my role at [your organization] by [how an AADB membership will impact your work]. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,