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Ext Req to NRC on Scoping Decomm NUREG 0586 supplement

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July 11, 2000

Dr. Meserve, NRC Chairman and Chief, Rules and Directives Branch Division of Administrative Services Mail Stop T-6 US Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555

Dear Chairman Richard Meserve and NRC Staff:

This is a request for a 6-month extension on the comment period for the Scoping for a supplement to the Final Generic Environmental Impact Statement NUREG-0586 (Aug. 1988). In addition, we request clarification of the Scoping, the intent and motivation for it, and greater accessibility of all relevant documents.

It has not been made clear exactly what NRC intends to change or add to NUREG -0586. The licensees carrying out decommissioning ( or soon to be doing so ), appear to have been closely involved, possibly initiating changes to help them with their ongoing efforts.

Public notice was not properly carried out for this Scoping or for the meetings that have been held. It is still unclear on what aspects of decommissioning the public is being asked to give comment.

NUREG-0586 has not been made readily available for the public. In addition, there are numerous other associated documents, issues and proceedings currently in various process stages, which complicate and expand the issue.

For example, what is the relationship between the decommissioning sessions being held by Dominic Orlando, the ongoing development of computer codes for release and recycling of radioactive sites and materials and this Scoping process? What is the relationship to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's actions on rulemaking for "clearance" or "release" of radioactive wastes, materials and sites? Will inclusion in this rushed process preclude evaluation of some issues on a site-specific basis? What sections of the NRC federal code stand to be altered from this process?

Numerous decommissioning activities are currently underway. How is this

Scoping intended to impact those ongoing processes?

Nuclear Information and Resource Service requests that the issues be clarified, answers be provided and that the materials made readily available to the interested public. We ask that Scoping deadline be extended 6 months (from the July 15, 2000 deadline) to allow comprehensive, meaningful public input.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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