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Dear Mr. Tracy:

I request that you schedule a public meeting with the industry's security working group to discuss the performance criteria and their bases being used by the NRC during Operational Safeguards Response Evaluations of licensee contingency response programs. This meeting should also cover the conditions under which contingency response drills would be required during other NRC inspections.

Since May 2000 the industry has become confused on the standards being applied by the NRC in its contingency response inspections. Of particular concern has been the recent focus on target sets as a performance evaluation tool and the relationship of target sets to the Significance Determination Process. Currently, several facilities are preparing new target sets based on perceptions of changing expectations.

At the meeting, we would like for the NRC staff to provide all the criteria beyond that of Inspection Procedure 81110, and the bases of that criteria being used in evaluation of licensee performance. This meeting should be conducted before the next OSRE so the industry fully understands the NRC's expectations.

I recommend the meeting be conducted in early September and will provide a list of questions the industry would like addressed about a week before the meeting.

If you have any questions on this request, please contact me at 202-739-8105.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James W. Davis".

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The attached letter has just been mailed to you. I believe September 6 or 7 would be a good date but will need check with the SWG members to be sure.

I would appreciate an email acknowledging that you have this and can open it.