The Honorable Steven R. Cohen Acting Director
Office of Personnel Management Washington, D.C. 20415

Dear Mr. Cohen:

I am responding to your letter of May 4, 2001, concerning the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) executive resources needs for Fiscal Years 2002 and 2003.

Since the last biennial executive resources allocation cycle, the NRC has implemented a number of streamlining initiatives, including restructuring of line organizations to improve organizational effectiveness and a reduction in the number of SES and non-SES management and supervisory positions. The agency has reviewed its executive resources requirements for Fiscal Years 2002 and 2003 and believes that it can operate efficiently with a reduced SES allocation of 162.

The NRC will continue to assess its future executive staffing needs as it develops its restructuring plan in response to the President's reform initiative and OMB's Bulletin on workforce planning and delayering.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Paul E. Bird, Director, Office of Human Resources, at 301-415-7516.

Sincerely,

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cc: Anne Kirby, Director
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