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Vanessa & OC,

We received the attached e-mail yesterday. These are essentially the same comments you had provided to me by a For Your Information (FYI) e-mail on 4/7/00. At that time the comments were clearly the opinion of Elaine Chan expressed in an internal FEMA correspondence and not an official FEMA position. We discussed yesterday by phone the fact that the comments were never formally submitted to the NRC for inclusion in our consideration on the spent fuel pool accident risk study.

Now that we have received the comments more formally the question that arises is are these comments an official position that FEMA is taking, or are they still only the opinion of the originator, Elaine Chan.

Would you please provide clarification concerning the status of these comments. Are they the opinion of a single FEMA staff member, or do they convey a formal position that FEMA is taking?

Thanks for your help on this.

Dan

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