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Cathy,

This is the one that Lochbaum was looking for. If the staff determines that no response is necessary, there is a public interest in having it released in ADAMS quickly. If the staff decides that the Chairman should sign a response, we will release it with the response.

Jeanne

This is per Annette -- it's late and I hope it makes sense.

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NUCLEAR ENERGY INSTITUTE

September 10, 2001

Joe F. Colvin

PRESIDENT AND
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The Honorable Richard A. Meserve
Chairman
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Rockville, MD 20852

Subject: Regulatory Oversight Program Alternative Indicator

Dear Chairman Meserve:

We understand that the NRC staff, working with industry and other stakeholders, has completed its review of the proposed alternative indicator which was piloted to address industry concerns over the potential for unintended consequences from the counting of manual reactor scrams.

The NEI Executive Committee, at its August meeting, reviewed this matter and concluded that the alternative indicator continues to be preferable to the original scram indicator for the reasons expressed previously to the Commission.

We are appreciative of NRC's efforts to review the proposed alternative indicator in light of the industry's concerns and believe that NRC's established procedure for processing changes to the ROP serve the NRC, its stakeholders and the public well. Please contact me if you have questions or comments related to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "JFC", is written over a circular stamp. The stamp contains the text "Joe F. Colvin" in a serif font.

Joe F. Colvin

c: The Honorable Greta J. Dicus, Commissioner
The Honorable Edward McGaffigan, Jr., Commissioner
The Honorable Jeffrey S. Merrifield, Commissioner
Dr. William D. Travers, Executive Director for Operations
NEI Executive Committee