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Mr. Harold L. Price, Director
Division of Licensing and Regulation
United States Atomic Energy Commission
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Price:

It is our understanding that the proposed rules concerning site selection criteria are intended to be general considerations and that there is no intention to convert these general objectives to fixed rules applicable to all future reactor construction. To enter into a technical discussion of the published rules seems to be of little value without further definition of terms, power levels, reactor designs and intended use. Each of the considerations outlined in the proposed rules are basically sound from the standpoint of a general policy statement, but would have to be augmented with detailed considerations for a specific site.

Until such a time as we obtain the reactor operation (and accident) experience needed to formulate specific rules, it would seem preferable to issue this same information as a policy statement of the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards rather than published as Commission rules.

Sincerely,

Emerson Jones
Special Assistant to
the General Manager

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cc: R. L. Schacht

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