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NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE MAKING - FACILITIES CONSIDERED IN SITE EVALUATION FOR POWER AND TEST REACTORS

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This will reply to your memorandum of June 11, 1959, inviting comments and suggestions with respect to the subject notice.

We have no suggestions for change in the proposals. We would observe, however, that both the need for criteria in this area and experience upon which to base more objective published standards are probably to be expected to increase in the future. The criteria which may be made of criteria stated as are those of the current proposal is that they leave too much to subjective judgment on the part of the Commission. Although upon our own limited knowledge of the technical considerations we would not necessarily subscribe to that view, we believe that both the discharge of a regulatory function and the interests of those subject to regulation will tend to require criteria stated with increasing specificity.

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