

June 20, 2002

Mr. Alex Matthiessen
Executive Director
Riverkeeper, Inc.
25 Wing & Wing
Garrison, NY 10524

Dear Mr. Matthiessen:

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The Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation Petition Review Board has reviewed Mr. Kohn's letter, and has decided to grant his request to extend the comment due date to August 10, 2002. On June 4, 2002, the NRC staff contacted Riverkeeper, Inc., by telephone to offer a similar extension to the comment period. On June 17, 2002, we were informed by Mr. K. Rabin that Riverkeeper, Inc., accepted the extension of the comment period. Accordingly, the due date for comments on your proposed 10 CFR 2.206 Director's Decision is now August 10, 2002. If you have any questions concerning the status of your petition, please contact your Petition Manager, Mr. Patrick Milano, at 301-415-1457 or at pdm@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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