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Dr. Leslie Silverman, Chairman
Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards
United States Atomic Energy Commission
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Dr. Silverman:

In the course of the testimony presented by the ACRS during the recent indemnity hearings held by the JCAE, you and Dr. McCullough mentioned several matters involving the administration and other support of the ACRS. I am asking Mr. Finan to discuss those matters with you at some convenient time in the near future.

One item came up, however, which is of such importance that I wish to communicate with you about it immediately. Dr. McCullough stated that the Committee has made real progress in developing some site criteria and there remains the need for these to be checked in the light of actual reactor designs and sites. He stated that manpower had not been available to perform this checking.

The Commission would like to have the benefit of the Committee's views on this matter as soon as possible even though the criteria may require further refinement by the Committee. In addition, we do not want further work held up, as was stated to be the situation, because we have not had an opportunity to make arrangements to have the calculations performed.

It is desired, therefore, that the Committee provide the Commission with a preliminary draft of the criteria that have been developed, including a description of the computational work needed so that this can be done as soon as possible.

Sincerely yours,

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