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Dr. Theos J. Thompson, Chairman
Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards
U. S. Atomic Energy Commission
Washington 25, D. C.

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Dear Dr. Thompson:

There is enclosed for the information of the Advisory Committee eighteen copies of the Commission's notice of proposed rule-making relating to proposed amendments to 10 CFR Part 50. The proposed amendments are designed to clarify the extent to which licensees may make changes and conduct tests and experiments which are not specifically provided for in their facility licenses.

The amendments would substantially revise Section 50.36, "Designation of technical specifications;" add a new Section 50.59, "Authorization of changes, tests and experiments;" and add an Appendix A, "Contents of technical specifications." The text of the proposed amendments to Sections 50.36 and 50.59 is based substantially upon the provisions incorporated in License No. DPR-1 pursuant to the Commission's Memorandum and Order dated November 2, 1960 (In the matter of General Electric, Vallecitos Boiling Water Reactor, Docket No. 50-18).

In addition, the proposed amendments would add an Appendix A to Part 50 containing a list of matters which the Commission would generally expect to be covered by technical specifications in operating licenses for pressurized-water and boiling-water power and testing reactors. Similar listings will be added for other types of reactors after more experience has been gained in their operation.

The proposed amendments were published in the Federal Register on April 8, 1961 and a period of 90 days after publication has been provided for the receipt of public comments.

We should have sent the enclosed copies to you immediately upon publication in the Federal Register but through inadvertence, we failed to do so.

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