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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20555 - 0001**

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Ms. Sue Blacklock
[HOME ADDRESS DELETED
UNDER 2.790]

Dear Ms. Blacklock,

This is in reply to your letter dated August 26, 2002, which requested that the NRC take certain actions regarding your case. On August 5, 1997, the NRC issued an order prohibiting your involvement in NRC-licensed activities for a period of 5 years from the date of the order. In addition, the order required that, after the prohibition period expired, you notify the NRC within 20 days of acceptance of an employment offer involving NRC-licensed activities.

You requested that the notification requirement be relaxed as allowed by the order. Given the relatively long prohibition period in the order issued to you, I am relaxing the order to eliminate any further notification requirement.

You also requested a review of the current practice where escalated individual enforcement actions are posted indefinitely on the NRC web site, recommending that historical enforcement actions be removed when the "enforcement period" has ended. The Office of Enforcement concluded that Internet searches could create an undesired effect in that potential employers in non-NRC jurisdictions are able to easily retrieve past enforcement actions through a simple Internet search. Therefore, OE intends to provide only those individual orders on its web site with an active restriction from working in NRC-licensed activities. This change in practice will cause your order to be removed from the NRC's web site. Of course, all enforcement actions are official agency records and publically available through the NRC Public Document Room, ADAMS, or the FOIA process.

Finally, you requested an opportunity to challenge the basis on which the NRC issued the order. That opportunity was provided in Section V of the order. A hearing was not requested within the time allowed and I cannot grant such a request at this time.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Frank J. Congel, Director
Office of Enforcement

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