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Dear Chairman Reserve:

I am writing this letter (no written response is necessary) to identify an issue that I believe presents the NRC with an opportunity to enhance nuclear power plant safety, reduce regulation, and lower overall costs to both the industry and the beneficiaries of the current nuclear power industry.

The issue briefly stated is already one that the NRC may be addressing, namely:

Should the move between the NRC and the Federal Emergency Management Agency be continued upon FEMA's incorporation into the recently established Department of Homeland Security?

My belief is that NRC should provide the new Secretary of DHS (Gov. Tom Ridge, nominated) with an analytical history of the FEMA/NRC relationship, including analysis of FEMA representations to the full Commission; FEMA representations to NRC licensing and appeal boards (when in existence); analysis of FRPCC issues and meetings (44 CFR Part 35); current

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regulatory schemes, and user fee arrangements with the industry for off-site planning.

Finally, a recommendation should be made (hopefully with a unanimous Commission) as to continuation or termination of the arrangement.

While I don't advocate this, a period of publication of the decision.

For public comment might be considered. My personal belief is that NRC should directly work with the affected states together with a certified corps of observers, not evaluators, and provide that data during exercises and provide that data to a joint board of expert evaluators of Federal, State, and industry evaluators of Federal, State, and industry evaluators not involved with P but whose emergency plans were being evaluated.

Plans were being evaluated to be placed in the opportunity to be placed in the public record, I appreciate the opportunity to be placed in the public record, to its being placed in the public record, and once again, no further response is necessary.

Sincerely,  
Walter R. Cleming  
President