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Mr. Harold L. Price
Director of Regulation
U.S. Atomic Energy Commission
Washington, D.C. 20545

Carl Walske

THRU: Chairman, Military Liaison Committee

Dear Mr. Price:

This is in reply to your letter of May 19, 1971, inquiring if the Department of Defense would prefer to have copies of the applicant's environmental report prior to your submission of the draft detailed statement for comment.

The agency within the Department of Defense that has primary interest in environmental impact statements relating to Nuclear Power Plants is the Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers. It is the opinion of that Department that a single submission which would include both the applicant's report and the draft detailed statement would be administratively more desirable. We suggest that in an effort to expedite the review process all future submissions for the Department of Defense (in five copies) be forwarded directly to the Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers (Civil Functions). The Corps of Engineers will coordinate, as necessary, within the Department of Defense and provide you with appropriate comments.

In order to provide for the continuing early notification of Department of Defense components whose operations may affect or be affected by the siting of future nuclear reactors, it is recommended that the Military Liaison Committee be informed whenever the Atomic Energy Commission receives an application for a reactor construction permit. Specific

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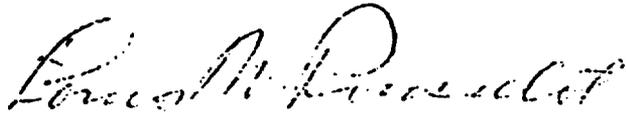
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information desired would include the geographic coordinates of the proposed site, the reactor type, and the operating power level (electrical) of the proposed facility. Such a notification would be in addition to the procedures instituted in your letter to the Chairman, Military Liaison Committee, dated September 29, 1967.

Sincerely,



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