December 15, 2003

The Honorable Richard Blumenthal Attorney General State of Connecticut Hartford, CT 06141-0120

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The NRC's Petition Review Board (PRB) met on October 22, 2003, to discuss the most recent supplement to your petition. The PRB noted that you did not request any additional immediate actions and determined that the supplement will be consolidated with the existing petition and treated pursuant to 10 CFR 2.206 of the Commission's regulations.

Your petition is being reviewed by members of the NRC staff. In accordance with Management Directive 8.11, "Review Process for 10 CFR 2.206 Petitions," we will revise our review schedule to accommodate consideration of the additional information included in this petition supplement. As provided by Section 2.206, we will take action on your request within a reasonable time. I have assigned Mr. Harold Chernoff to be the petition manager for your petition. On November 5, 2003, Mr. Chernoff spoke with Mr. Robert Snook of your staff to offer an opportunity for a meeting or teleconference to discuss the PRB's determination with respect to the October 16, 2003, supplement to your original petition. Mr. Snook indicated that neither a meeting nor a teleconference was necessary. Mr. Chernoff can be reached at 301-415-4018 (e-mail: hkc@nrc.gov).

Sincerely,

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