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Warren A. Bishop, Chair
Nuclear Waste Board
State of Washington
Olympia, Washington 98504

Dear Chairman Bishop:

This is in response to your letter of December 24, 1985, addressed to the Chairman of the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission. Your resolution addressed concerns with regard to the issue of liability and compensation for accidents resulting from the transport, storage, and disposal of nuclear waste.

As noted in the resolution, the Congress is considering several bills relating to the coverage of the Price-Anderson Act with respect to the disposal of high level radioactive waste. Resolution of this issue involves economic and institutional considerations in addition to the consideration of public health and safety.

We thank you for the information contained in the letter and will follow the progress of the pending legislation with studied interest.

Sincerely,

(Signed) John G. Davis

John G. Davis, Director
Office of Nuclear Material Safety
and Safeguards

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