



UNITED STATES
 ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION
 WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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Curtiss-Wright Corporation
 Wood-Ridge, New Jersey

Docket No. 50-39

Attention: Mr. George R. Hill
 Executive Vice President

Gentlemen:

Enclosed are copies of two amendments to the Commission's financial protection and indemnity regulations in 10 CFR Part 140. Both were published in the Federal Register on April 7, 1960 to become effective thirty days after that date (May 7, 1960).

The first effective amendment constitutes a comprehensive revision of 10 CFR Part 140. The amendment is substantially the same as the proposed amendment to Part 140 published in the Federal Register on May 1, 1959. Under this amendment, the ~~Curtiss-Wright Corporation~~ will be required to furnish, prior to May 7, 1960, evidence that it is maintaining financial protection in the amount of \$ 1,500,000.

The Commission plans to re-evaluate the financial protection requirements set forth in the amendment not later than December 31, 1960 in the light of the comments by NELIA and MAELU and other interested members of the public. The NELIA-MAELU comments are contained in a letter dated January 22, 1960 and the attachments thereto, sent to the Commission by Charles J. Haugh, Vice President, Travelers Insurance Company. A copy of Mr. Haugh's letter is enclosed. Public comments with respect to the proposals of the insurance syndicates should be filed with the undersigned before July 6, 1960.

The second effective amendment approves as proof of financial protection the revised form of nuclear energy liability insurance policy currently available from NELIA and MAELU.

In addition, we are also enclosing a copy of a proposed amendment to Part 140 (also published April 7, 1960). If made effective, the proposed amendment would establish the forms of indemnity agreement to be executed by the Commission with reactor licensees or construction permittees who furnish a NELIA-MAELU form of policy as proof of financial protection and with licensees relying on their own resources as financial protection.

We would welcome any suggestions you may wish to submit concerning the enclosures.

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Sincerely yours,

H. L. Price, Director
 Division of Licensing
 and Regulation

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