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Dear Dave:

Enclosed for your review is a copy of "10 CFR Part 60 -- Disposal of High-Level Radioactive Waste in Geologic Repositories: Amendments to Licensing Procedures, SECY-84-263." This proposed rulemaking has been transmitted to the Commissioners for their review. Mr. Browning and the staff would be interested in any comments the States and Tribes may have on the proposal. At this point, the Commission has not scheduled a meeting to review the proposed rulemaking. We think it is unlikely that it will be on their calendar until after July, and would like to have your comments, if any, prior to that time. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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**DISPOSAL OF HIGH-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTES  
IN GEOLOGIC REPOSITORIES;  
LICENSING PROCEDURES**

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For the purposes of sec. 223, 66 Stat. 958, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2273), §§ 60.71 to 60.75 are issued under sec. 161a, 66 Stat. 950, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2201(o)).

**Subpart A—General Provisions**

**§ 60.1 Purpose and scope.**

This part prescribes rules governing the licensing of the U.S. Department of Energy to receive and possess source, special nuclear, and byproduct material at a geologic repository operations area. This part does not apply to any activity licensed under another part of this chapter.

**§ 60.2 Definitions.**

As used in this part—  
“Accessible environment” means: (1) The atmosphere, (2) the land surface, (3) surface water, (4) oceans, and (5) the portion of the lithosphere that is outside the controlled area.

“Anticipated processes and events” means those natural processes and events that are reasonably likely to occur during the period the intended performance objective must be achieved. To the extent reasonable in the light of the geologic record, it shall

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