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Exhibit 3

Membership and Addresses of NRC Oversight Committees

The new 107th Congress has now completed its organization.

In the Senate, the Committee on Environment and Public Works exercises jurisdiction over domestic nuclear regulatory activities. Within the committee, the Subcommittee on Transportation, Infrastructure, and Nuclear Safety has been delegated responsibility for legislation and oversight related to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

In the House, the Committee on Energy and Commerce exercises jurisdiction over domestic nuclear regulatory activities. Within the committee, the Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality has been delegated responsibility for legislation and oversight related to the NRC.

These two subcommittees have jurisdiction over authorizing legislation for the NRC and constitute the agency's principal oversight subcommittees. The Commission is obliged under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 to keep these two subcommittees, as the successors to the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy, "fully and currently informed" of its activities.

In addition to our two authorizing subcommittees, there are a number of other congressional subcommittees having jurisdiction over some aspect of NRC activities. The most important of these are listed below under subject matter.

- (1) **Appropriations**—The NRC's annual appropriations are included in the annual appropriations bill for energy and water development activities. This bill is prepared by the Subcommittees on Energy and Water Development of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees. Each year the NRC presents its annual appropriations request to these subcommittees and, from time to time, responds to specific inquiries from them. The NRC also is obliged to meet whatever reporting requirements are included in the annual appropriations bill or in the committee reports that accompany the bill. While the NRC does not routinely provide these subcommittees with all of the information provided the two authorizing subcommittees, these two subcommittees expect to be kept fully informed of major Commission actions and initiatives.
- (2) **International Affairs**—Matters concerning the international aspects of atomic energy are under the jurisdiction of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations and the House Committee on International Relations. In the Senate, the Committee on Governmental Affairs shares responsibilities with the Committee on Foreign Relations for the "organization and management of United States nuclear export policy." Correspondence relating to nuclear exports and international safeguards should be sent to the House Committee on International Relations and to the Senate Committees on Foreign Relations and on Governmental Affairs.

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- (3) **General Government Operations**—Both the House and Senate have separate committees on Government operations. These committees have limited legislative authority (principally over Government reorganizations and the creation of new Government activities at all levels with a view of determining its economy and efficiency). They have the duty of receiving and examining all reports of the General Accounting Office (GAO), as well as comments on the reports. All agency comments on GAO reports are to be transmitted to the House Committee on Government Reform and the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs.

The following revised list reflects changes in memberships and addresses of the principal committees of Congress with which the NRC routinely communicates. It supersedes the lists provided in the July 17, 2001, update to Management Directive 3.57. Since changes in subcommittee staff occur with some frequency, mailing labels (with the appropriate "Attention" lines directed to subcommittee staffers) will be prepared by the Office of Congressional Affairs.

Principal Oversight Committees

The Honorable Harry Reid, Chairman
Subcommittee on Transportation, Infrastructure,
and Nuclear Safety
Committee on Environment and Public Works
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

cc: Senator James M. Inhofe

The Honorable Joe Barton, Chairman
Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality
Committee on Energy and Commerce
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

cc: Representative Rick Boucher

The following subcommittees have frequent interface with NRC and, depending on the subject matter (appropriations, international affairs, research, etc.), should be kept informed of significant NRC actions and activities:

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The Honorable Sonny Callahan, Chairman
Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development
Committee on Appropriations
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

cc: Representative Peter J. Visclosky

The Honorable Harry Reid, Chairman
Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development
Committee on Appropriations
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

cc: Senator Pete V. Domenici

The Honorable Roscoe Bartlett, Chairman
Subcommittee on Energy
Committee on Science
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

cc: Representative Lynn Woolsey

The Honorable Henry Hyde, Chairman
Committee on International Relations
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

cc: Representative Tom Lantos

The Honorable Joseph R. Biden, Jr., Chairman
Committee on Foreign Relations
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

cc: Senator Jesse Helms

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The Honorable Joseph I. Lieberman, Chairman
Committee on Governmental Affairs
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

cc: Senator Fred Thompson

The Honorable Dan Burton, Chairman
Committee on Government Reform
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

cc: Representative Henry Waxman

As with other official NRC communications with Congress, all correspondence with these committees should be forwarded through the Office of Congressional Affairs for clearance and dispatch, with the exception of matters under the purview of the Inspector General. Correspondence should be prepared for the signature of the Chairman, the Executive Director for Operations, or the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs.