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Dear Sir:

Subject: Comments on Draft Generic Letter Potential Impact of Debris Blockage on
Emergency Recirculation During Design Basis Accidents at Pressurized Water
Reactors March 31, 2004 Federal Register, Page 16980

The New Jersey Bureau of Nuclear Engineering (BNE) has reviewed the Draft Generic Letter
entitled "Potential Impact of Debris Blockage on Emergency Recirculation During Design Basis
Accidents at Pressurized Water Reactors". We also participated in two recent U.S. Nuclear
Regulatory Commission meetings via teleconference May 19, May 25, and June 25 of this year.
We also received Nuclear Energy Institute's PWR Containment Sump Evaluation Methodology
May 28, 2004. Finally, we have ample experience with this issue for Boiling Water Reactors.

We support the issuance of this Generic Letter as written. We believe that the issue of debris
blockage of PWR sumps is a significant safety concern and should be resolved on an expedited
basis. Also, in light of travel restrictions, we are thankful to the U.S Nuclear Regulatory
Commission for conducting meetings on this important topic via teleconference. With two
Pressurized Water Reactors operating in New Jersey, teleconferencing provides us a direct
means to participate in the process and become an active stakeholder for New Jersey citizens.

If you need to discuss this subject further please contact Dennis Zannoni at (609) 984-7440.

Sincerely,

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