

July 7, 2004

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SUBJECT: FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) DEFICIENCY
DURING THE MAY 11, 2004, BEAVER VALLEY POWER STATION PLUME
EXPOSURE PATHWAY EXERCISE

Dear Mr. Pearce:

Enclosed is a letter from Mr. Darrell Hammons, Regional Assistance Committee Chairman, FEMA Region III, dated May 26, 2004, transmitting a letter to Mr. Hubert Miller, Regional Administrator, NRC Region I. The enclosed letter informed him of a deficiency pertaining to the Beaver County Emergency Operations Center. Beaver County residents were not informed via the emergency alert system messages 1 and 2 to take potassium iodide.

We understand that a retest occurred on June 16, 2004, and demonstrated that this proposed deficiency was corrected. Thank you for providing assistance to offsite officials as they resolved this issue on a timely basis.

If you have any questions concerning this enclosure, please contact David Silk at (610) 337-5372.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Richard J. Conte, Chief
Operational Safety Branch
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Docket Nos. 50-334, 50-412
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Enclosure: Letter to Mr. Hubert Miller from Darrell Hammons

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