

August 13, 2004

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SUBJECT: THE U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION STAFF DOSE
ASSESSMENT OF THE KISKI VALLEY WATER POLLUTION CONTROL
AUTHORITY SITE

Dear Mr. Kossack:

Pursuant to my November 7, 2003, letter to you, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff has completed its dose assessment of the Kiski Valley Water Pollution Control Authority (KVVWPCA) site, and has determined that the site meets the NRC's criteria for unrestricted use for all of the realistic scenarios considered. The details of our assessment are summarized in SECY-04-0102, "Results of the Staff's Evaluation of Potential Doses to the Public from Material at the Kiski Valley Water Pollution Control Authority Site in Leechburg, Pennsylvania (copy attached)."

Because the site meets NRC decommissioning criteria, the NRC staff would conclude that no further action by NRC is warranted at the KVVWPCA site. However, this decision constitutes a significant Federal action. Therefore, in accordance with 10 CFR Part 51 and the National Environmental Policy Act, the NRC staff will prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) and Federal Register Notice to document the impacts of it's proposal. The NRC staff anticipates completing the draft EA by September 10, 2004. The draft EA will then be published in the Federal Register for a 30-day public comment period. Copies of the draft EA will also be provided to the primary stakeholders; KVVWPCA, the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, and the Office of Senator Rick Santorum.

After evaluating comments received on the draft EA, the NRC staff will address the comments and issue a final EA. We will then transmit a final letter to you with copies sent to other stakeholders.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me by phone at (301) 415-6664 or via email, klk@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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