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Subject: Re: Request for Extension of Public Comment Period

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The NRC will approve the NIRS and UCS requests for an additional 30 days to comment. A Federal Register notice of the extension will be published in a week or so. The new closing date will be January 26, 2004.

Just so it is clear, this period is for comments on the interim enforcement discretion criteria only. After we evaluate these comments, we will prepare a proposed rule package which will also be published for public comments late in 2004. Although the direct final rule process was discussed at the recent ACRS subcommittee meeting on fire protection, we are **not going to use the direct final rule process for this rulemaking** on manual actions.

Sincerely,

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>>> Paul Gunter <pgunter@nirs.org> 11/26/03 06:07PM >>>
Hello,

With regard to Federal Register Notice, November 26, 2003, (Volume 68, Number 228) pages 66501-66503, Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment, Draft Criteria for Determining Feasibility of Manual Actions To Achieve Post-Fire Safe Shutdown, NIRS submits the following request for an extension by 30 days of the public comment period.

Thanks,
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