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Mr. Robert Moody
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11555 Rockville Pike
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Dear Mr. Moody:

Thank you for granting a one-week extension for submission of comments regarding the July 28, 2005 Federal Register Doc. E5-4011. As you may be aware, the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA), along with our partnering states in the northeast portion of the United States, have been very focused on substantial flooding issues these past few weeks, and I appreciate your flexibility. As such, I offer MEMA's response to the Federal Register notice in accordance with the revised deadline of Monday, October 24, 2005.

MEMA endorses the attached White Paper entitled "*Impact of Nuclear Regulatory Commission Emergency Preparedness Security Enhancements to Offsite Planning Entities*," which details comments related to the review of Emergency Preparedness regulations and guidance put forth by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. This White Paper serves as the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency's formal response to the above-reference Federal Register notice.

Should you require further clarification, or have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (508) 820-2000.

Sincerely,

Cristine McCombs
Director