

From: Duane Schmidt
To: Felix Gottdiener
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Subject: Re: Extension of Comment period for nureg 1757 SUPPLEMENT 1

Dear Mr. Gottdiener:

Thank you for your interest in the draft License Termination Rule (LTR) Analysis implementation guidance, published in our draft NUREG-1757, Supplement 1. We received your request to extend the public comment period for this document, and Kristina Banovac spoke with you yesterday by phone.

The draft Supplement 1 was published for public comment at the end of September 2005. We understand the difficulty in finding time to review documents over the holidays, and we are interested in your comments (and those of other stakeholders) on this guidance. However, we continue to believe that the three-month public comment period is sufficient. In order to meet our schedule for finalizing the guidance, we are not extending the public comment period.

However, we will consider comments received after the public comment period, to the extent practical. Therefore, we urge you to submit comments as soon as feasible. We hope that Kristina's discussion with you of the organization and content of the document was helpful in focusing your review efforts. We also note that in many cases the draft guidance contains proposed changes to existing guidance in NUREG-1757, and the changes are shown in highlighted text or strikeout text, as explained in the Introduction to the draft Supplement 1.

In your e-mail, you referred to the document as a change to the LTR (License Termination Rule in 10 CFR Part 20, Subpart E). We want to be sure you understand that this document only provides guidance in implementing the LTR; it does not change the LTR.

If you have further questions, please feel free to call or e-mail us.

Sincerely,

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Dear Duane Schmidt and Kristina Banovac,

Hi. My name is Felix Gottdiener and I am an Environmental Associate for Citizens' Environmental Coalition, a statewide environmental group in New York State. First off, I appreciate your release of the draft updates to implement the License Termination Rule Analysis. My group is currently engaged with other local and national environmental groups to ensure a comprehensive cleanup at the West Valley Nuclear Site in West Valley, NY. As you know, the License Termination Rule will set the standards for cleanup at this site. The nuclear material on site has

the potential to affect the lives of the Western New York community and the entire Great Lakes watershed for hundreds of years. I am writing to request that you extend the comment period for another month, until the end of January 2006. Many of us in the environmental community will be taking time off within the next two weeks to be with our families and it is not the most convenient time to review a 300-page draft change to the LTR. Extra time is essential to confer with the other groups working on the site and ensure that we can amass input on these regulations. It is vital that the NRC receive the input of community groups on this issue, since we are the ones who will be feeling the true effects of the cleanup. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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