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The Honorable Richard A. Meserve, Chairman
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (016-C1)
Washington, DC 20555-0001

Dear Chairman Meserve:

**Subject: Compliance with Paragraph 3.4(d) of Executive Order 12958,
"Classified National Security Information"**

On Friday, September 28, 2001, the Interagency Security Classification Appeals Panel (ISCAP), established by section 5.4 of Executive Order 12958, "Classified National Security Information," passed the enclosed motion. Through this motion, the ISCAP has granted interim, temporary approval for the declassification guide that your agency previously submitted to it as a means to identify information that you propose to exempt from automatic declassification under section 3.4 of E.O. 12958. This interim approval is contingent upon a continuing assessment by me, as ISCAP's Executive Secretary, that your agency continues to cooperate with the ISCAP toward its final approval of your guide.

The purpose of the ISCAP's action is to ensure continuing protection for information that might otherwise be subject to automatic declassification while final ISCAP action is pending. If you have any questions about the effect of this action or on other issues that pertain to your agency's proposed declassification guide please contact Rudolph H. Waddy or me at (202) 219-5250.

Sincerely,

(signed) Steven Garfinkel

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Executive Secretary

Enclosure

cc: Mrs. Patricia G. Norry, Deputy Executive Director for Management Services

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