

March 15, 2006

Director General Andre-Claudé Lacoste
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Dear Director General Lacoste:

I am sorry that you were unable to attend the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Regulatory Information Conference, but I realize that it was due to important business with the Parliament. We were pleased to have Mr. Gupta make your presentation at the conference's session on International Perspectives on New Reactor Design Reviews.

Enclosed is an article on the Relevance of Radiological Protection that you requested for the May 2006 issue of «Contrôle». Thank you for the opportunity to contribute to the French Nuclear Safety Authority's journal.

I look forward to continue working closely with you on issues we have recently discussed.

Sincerely,

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Nils J. Diaz

Enclosure:
Relevance of Radiological
Protection