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Mr. Lyall Johnson
Licensing Branch
Division of Licensing & Regulation
U. S. Atomic Energy Commission
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Lyall:

Mr. Lou Swallow and I are planning to be in Washington at the AEC on Thursday, November 5. We would very much like to arrange to talk to you, Joe Delaney, Charlie Luke, and Charlie McCallum. I would expect that we would arrive about mid-morning.

As you may know, since the last visit Fred Belmore and I made we have sent three of our technical people to the Oak Ridge Criticality School and are now making use of this increased understanding of criticality problems in the submission of future license applications. I think this will make our licenses better and make your job easier by virtue of the presentation of more complete calculations in support of our proposals.

Lou Swallow, who will be with me, was one of the three engineers who attended the conference and I'll be most anxious for him to be present when we discuss the philosophy in your division of what constitutes adequate safety from a criticality standpoint.

Charlie McCallum some time ago asked me for some data on styrofoam that we are considering for use in one of our shipping containers. You might mention to him that I have that and will bring the information along.

I appreciate the activity that there is in Washington next week and realize that this might not be a convenient time for the members of your staff. In the event it is not, please don't hesitate to call us collect on Monday. Sorry to have suggested this on such short notice, but we are attending a "command performance" at the New York Operations Office the previous day and it seemed like too good an opportunity to pass up. Thanks a lot.

Sincerely yours,

Bill

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