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**SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO JUNE 27, 1997, LETTER REQUESTING COPIES OF
REVIEWED AND APPROVED VERSIONS OF FIVE CENTRALIZED
INTERIM STORAGE FACILITY SYSTEM DESCRIPTIONS
ORIGINALLY SUBMITTED AS "DRAFT" (TAC NO. L22327 AND
Docket No. 72-21)**

Dear Dr. McDuffie:

Thank you for your letter of June 27, 1997, requesting copies of the reviewed and approved versions of five system descriptions originally submitted as "draft" in the June 18, 1997, submittal.

As we indicated at the time of the submittal, of the 47 calculation and design information packages submitted for the Centralized Interim Storage Facility (CISF), five of the system description packages were still in draft form and marked "draft." We had planned originally to revise and approve the five packages by the end of 1997 and to provide them to you at that time. However, as an interim measure and to provide the NRC staff with a path from the draft material contained in the five system description packages to what is reflected in the CISF Topical Safety Analysis Report (TSAR), we provided the comments on the draft TSAR, and the resolution of same, along with the draft system description packages.

Per your request of June 27, 1997, we have finalized and approved the enclosed five system description packages earlier labeled "draft." Comments received on the draft TSAR have been incorporated into the five revised and approved system descriptions. For that reason, this submittal does not include comments on the draft TSAR.

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This submittal contains no proprietary information.

Should you have any questions on this matter, please contact me at (202) 586-4970.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dan Kane". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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Enclosure