



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

February 5, 2007

The Honorable Thomas R. Carper
Chairman, Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety
Committee on Environment and Public Works
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

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Sincerely,

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Rebecca L. Schmidt, Director
Office of Congressional Affairs

Enclosure:
Proposed Revision to 10 CFR Parts 170 and 171

cc: Senator George V. Voinovich



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The Honorable Barbara Boxer
Chairman, Committee on Environment and
Public Works
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

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Chairman, Committee on Energy and Commerce
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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cc: Representative Joe Barton



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The Honorable Rick Boucher
Chairman, Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality
Committee on Energy and Commerce
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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Chairman, Committee on the Budget
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The Honorable Byron Dorgan
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Water Development
Committee on Appropriations
United States Senate
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