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October 29, 2004

W. D. Nash, Vice President and General Manager  
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SUBJECT: UNFETTERED ACCESS FOR NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
EMPLOYEES AT THE BWX TECHNOLOGIES, INC. FACILITY

Dear Mr. Nash:

On April 29, 2003, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) issued [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]" (Order). The Order required BWX  
Technologies (BWXT), in part, to update its [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]. In its response to the Order, BWXT provided a description of its [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], including the associated requirements.

The purpose of this letter is to re-iterate that 10 CFR 70.55(c)(3) requires licensees to afford any NRC inspectors immediate, unfettered access. Therefore, notwithstanding the requirements of the Order, and the BWXT program changes made in response to the Order, BWXT is required to afford any NRC inspectors immediate, unfettered access. The NRC will continue to maintain the responsibility for suitability of its inspectors.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please feel free to contact Billy Gleaves of my staff at (301) 415-5848 or via e-mail to [bcg@nrc.gov](mailto:bcg@nrc.gov).

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Sincerely,

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Robert Pierson, Director  
Division of Fuel Cycle Safety  
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