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Mr. Michael T. Lesar, Chief Rulemaking & Directives Branch Division of Administrative Services Office of Administration Mail Stop: TWB-05-B01M U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555-0001 RECEIVED 3/08/2010 75 FR 10524 (13)

Subject:

Request for Extension of Comment Period for NUREG-0654/FEMA-REP-1, Rev. 1, Supplement 3, Guidance for Protective Action Recommendations for General

Emergencies; Draft for Comment, Docket ID NRC-2010-0080

To Whom It May Concern:

The Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA) believes the efforts of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to revise the current draft guidance contained in *NUREG-0654*, *Supplement 3: Guidance for Protective Action Recommendations* is a positive step to update this guidance based on insights gained in Emergency Preparedness. The importance of this fundamental document for Protective Action Recommendations and the infrequency of its revision require that stakeholders have adequate time to consider the impact the State of the Art Reactor Consequence Analyses (SOARCA) may have on Supplement 3 to NUREG-0654. It is our understanding that a draft of the SOARCA results will soon be released in at least draft form. IEMA believes that it is essential the results of the SOARCA be reviewed and considered in any effort to upgrade Supplement 3.

Therefore, IEMA is requesting at least a 60-day extension be granted for comments on draft *NUREG-0654*, *Supplement 3*. This additional time is necessary to thoroughly review the results of the SOARCA study and the proposed changes to *NUREG-0654*, *Supplement 3* and, to

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Sincerely,

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