

November 2, 2011

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Dear Mr. Mariotte:

This letter is in reference to the petition for rulemaking (PRM), dated August 11, 2011, that you filed with the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) on behalf of Nuclear Information and Resource Service, *et al.* The NRC has determined that the petition meets the NRC's requirements in Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* 2.802 for docketing of a PRM. The petition was docketed on September 20, 2011, and has been assigned Docket Number PRM-51-21.

The enclosed notice acknowledging receipt of your petition will be published shortly in the *Federal Register*. As NRC staff reviews your petition, it may be necessary to request additional information. Please reference the assigned docket number on any correspondence you may have concerning your petition.

On September 9, 2011, the Commission issued a Memorandum and Order, Union Electric Company D/B/A/ Ameren Missouri et al. (Callaway Plant, Unit, et al.), CLI-11-05, __ NRC __ (Sept. 9, 2011) (slip op. at 41) which declined the petitioners' request to suspend any of the licensing or rulemaking proceedings pending resolution of these rulemaking petitions. The NRC will consider the issues raised by the PRM through the process the Commission has established for addressing the recommendations from the Fukushima Task Force Report and is not providing a separate opportunity for public comment on the PRM at this time. The NRC will address the resolution of the petition following the completion of the agency's actions to consider the Fukushima Task Force recommendations.

You may direct any questions you may have concerning the petition process or the status of your petition to Cindy Bladley at 301-492-3667 (e-mail: Cindy.Bladley@nrc.gov) or to Leslie Terry at 301-492-3679 (e-mail: Leslie.Terry@nrc.gov).

Sincerely,

/RA Andrew L. Bates for/

Annette L. Vietti-Cook,
Secretary of the Commission.

Enclosure:
Notice of receipt of petition
for rulemaking