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Gentlemen:

The Huclear Regulatory Commission announced in the June 3, 1980 issue of the Federal Register (Page 37399, Volume 45, Number 108) that it is amending the interim rule for the physical protection of irradiated reactor fuel (spent fuel) in transit. The effective date of the amended rule was July 3, 1980. A revised guidance document, MUREG-0561, also has been prepared and a copy is attached as Enclosure #1.

Approximately 60 additional locations that are considered to be heavily populated areas have been included in the list in the revised guidance document. Routes traversing any of the locations on this list, including the 60 additional locations must be escorted in compliance with 10 CFR Part 73.37(c)(1)(ii) effective August 29, 1980.

The route previously approved for Southern California Edison Company with one newly designated heavily populated area also is enclosed (Enclosure #2).

Other requirements contained in the amended rule will be applied to shipments commencing on or after July 3, 1980.

If you have questions concerning the amended rule or guidance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

"Original Signed by G. W. McCorkle"

George W. McCorkle, Chief Physical Security Licensing Branch Division of Safeguards, NMSS

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