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**SUBJECT: DOCKET NO. NRC-2014-0118 (79 FR 34641) DRAFT REGULATORY BASIS
FOR RULEMAKING TO AMEND 10 CFR PARTS 26 AND 73, ENHANCED
SECURITY AT FUEL CYCLE FACILITIES; SPECIAL NUCLEAR MATERIAL
TRANSPORTATION**

Dear Dr. Krahenbuhl:

By letter dated June 26, 2014, you requested an extension to the comment period on the draft regulatory basis on Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* Parts 26 and 73, "Enhanced Security at Fuel Cycle Facilities; Special Nuclear Material Transportation." You submitted this request to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). You requested an extension of the period to comment from 45 days to 120 days from the date of the *Federal Register* notice (FRN) (79 *Federal Register* (FR) 34641 posted on June 18, 2014) thereby extending it from August 4, 2014, to on or about October 18, 2014. You also requested one or more additional public meetings. To accommodate your request, the NRC has published the notice in the FR extending the comment period and will hold an additional public meeting during the extended comment period (79 FR 42474; July 22, 2014).

The NRC staff desires to provide the additional time for stakeholders to answer the specific questions posed in the FRN. The staff would also like to obtain the cost impact information that is needed to support the development of the regulatory analyses for the proposed Part 26 rulemaking and the proposed Part 73 rulemaking. The staff believes the extended comment period will provide ample opportunity for stakeholders to provide the NRC staff with input on the potential impacts from these two rulemaking efforts.

Thank you for contacting the NRC to request an extension of the public comment period.

Sincerely,

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