

June 5, 1996

Mr. James M. Taylor  
Executive Director for Operations  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

Dear Mr. Taylor:

SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF THE REGULATORY REVIEW GROUP  
RECOMMENDATIONS

During the 431st meeting of the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards, May 23-25, 1996, we reviewed the status of the implementation of the Regulatory Review Group recommendations. During our review, we had the benefit of discussions with representatives of the NRC staff and the referenced document.

The Regulatory Review Group was established by you on January 4, 1993, to conduct a comprehensive and disciplined review of power reactor regulations and related NRC procedures, programs, and practices. In August 1993, the Regulatory Review Group issued its final report containing recommendations to reduce the regulatory burden on licensees and to strengthen NRC administrative practices. The staff submitted its plan for implementing these recommendations in January 1994 and issued subsequent semiannual status reports.

We believe that the effort by the Regulatory Review Group has been successful. The Regulatory Review Group recommendations have been implemented or assigned to appropriate NRC offices for implementation. We would like to compliment the staff on its success.

Sincerely,

/s/

T. S. Kress  
Chairman

Reference:

SECY-96-024, dated February 2, 1996, from James M. Taylor,  
Executive Director for Operations, NRC, for the Commissioners,  
Subject: Semiannual Status Report on the Implementation of  
Regulatory Review Group Recommendations

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