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The Honorable Ivan Selin
Chairman
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Chairman Selin:

SUBJECT: SCHEDULE FOR ACRS REVIEW OF RECENT STAFF PAPERS

During the 378th meeting of the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards, October 10-12, 1991, we considered the schedule for our review of several recent staff papers. These papers were the subject of our letter to you of September 11, 1991, in which we stated our interest in having an opportunity to review these papers and suggested that the Commission consider postponement of action until we had such an opportunity. We also indicated in that letter that we would develop a schedule for our review during the 378th meeting.

With regard to the papers in question and the schedule on which we plan to report our comments, we find SECY-91-229, "Severe Accident Mitigation Design Alternatives for Certified Standard Designs," dated July 31, 1991, largely procedural and plan no further review. We will report on the following papers during our February 1992 meeting:

SECY-91-262, "Resolution of Selected Technical and Severe Accident Issues for Evolutionary Light Water Reactor (LWR) Designs," dated August 16, 1991.

SECY-91-270, "Interim Guidance on Staff Implementation of the Commission's Safety Goal Policy," dated August 27, 1991.

SECY-91-272, "Role of Personnel and Advanced Control Rooms in Future Nuclear Power Plants," dated August 27, 1991.

SECY-91-273, "Review of Vendors' Test Programs to Support the Design Certification of Passive Light Water Reactors," dated August 27, 1991.

Sincerely,

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Chairman