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Secretary U. S. Atomic Energy Commission Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am writing in regard to the proposed revision of 10 CFR Part 71 as published in the <u>Federal Register</u> on March 5, 1963, with specific reference to paragraph 71.72, "Pyrophoric Materials".

I feel that the temperature given, 80°F. or lower, is an unreasonably low figure and could easily result in spontaneous ignition of certain susceptible special nuclear materials in the course of ordinary shipping. This is further borne out by the fact that paragraph 71.71, (b), assumes the ambient air temperature to be 100°F.

It is recommended that consideration be given to raising the value to read "... 180°F. or at a lower temperature ...".

Very truly yours,

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