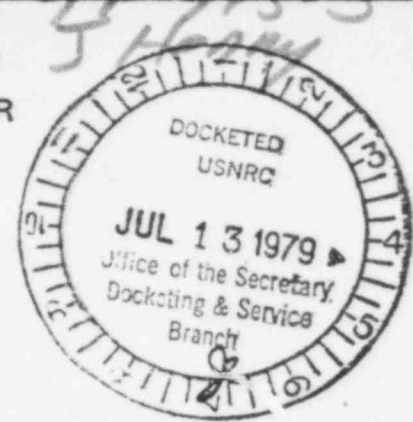


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Secretary, Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Attention: Docketing and Service Branch

Dear Sir:

The petition for rule making submitted by Mr. Walter P. Peoples, Jr. and published in the Federal Register Vol. 44 No. 97 Thursday, May 17, 1979 is supported. Mr. Peoples proposes two separate entities within the NRC with one controlling fissile material and the other controlling byproduct material. While two separate entities may not be required, the regulations governing fissile material should be different from those covering byproduct material.

Regulations written to assure safety in the maintenance, transport, and disposal of fissile material in a power generating station and applying the same regulation to commercial isotope radiography results in "overkill," expense, and unnecessary red tape.

Separating the regulations and fees required for fissile material from those required for byproduct material is logical, desirable, and equitable.

Licensees using byproduct material are carrying a disproportionate share of the inspection fees. For example, the cost to American Airlines for a four hour annual inspection was \$980.00.

Very truly yours,

AMERICAN AIRLINES, INC.

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