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Secretary of the Commission  
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Att: Docketing and Service Branch

Subject: Revision 1 to Regulatory Guide 1.120  
Fire Protection Guidelines for Nuclear Power Plants

Gentlemen:

The subject USNRC document has been reviewed by members of the ASME Committee on Nuclear Quality Assurance (NQA), which is an ASME administered codes and standards committee under the jurisdiction of the Nuclear Codes and Standards Committee. The NQA Committee was selected to review the above document on the basis of the experience that its members have with the document's subject matter.

On the basis of its specific working interest with the subject matter, the NQA Committee was selected to have primary responsibility for review of the above document. The NQA Main Committee, in turn, requested the NQA Subcommittee on General Requirements to review the document and determine how the proposed Standard ANSI/ASME, NQA-1, "Quality Assurance Program Requirements for Nuclear Power Plants" could be selectively applied to fire protection systems. The NQA Committee's consensus position, voted by the Main Committee at its meeting on May 24, 1979, is herein provided.

This review by ASME committee members is not to be construed as an approval or endorsement of the subject document by ASME. Rather, the review was performed and the attached comment is submitted as a constructive public service for the purpose of improving future revisions of the subject document. The consensus position provided represents that of the individual committee rather than that of the ASME.

Yours truly,

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COMMENT ON REVISION 1 TO  
REGULATORY GUIDE 1.120  
FIRE PROTECTION GUIDELINES FOR  
NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS

Submitted by the ASME Committee on Nuclear Quality Assurance - voted  
at May 24, 1979 meeting:

Comment: A QA program for design, procurement, installation, testing  
and maintenance of fire protection systems for safety - re-  
lated items should be implemented as an integral part of the  
overall quality assurance (QA) program for the plant. The  
QA program should satisfy the Introduction and all Basic  
Requirements of the proposed ASME Standard ANSI/ASME NQA-1  
"Quality Assurance Program Requirements for Nuclear Power  
Plants".

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