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IN RESPONSE REFER  
TO FOIA-79-260  
NRDC/TBC/79-25

Dear Mr. Cochran:

This is in further response to your letter dated July 6, 1979, in which you requested, pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, all documents generated or utilized by the Task Force on Safeguards Policy and any subsequent information developed by the NRC pertaining to recommendations of the Task Force.

The documents listed in Appendix A are being placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR), 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, DC.

The enclosures to documents 1 and 3 of Appendix B are drafts (February 27, 1979 and March 12, 1979) of the Report by the Task Force on NRC Safeguards Policy. The documents reflect the Task Force's advice, conclusion, deliberations, opinions and recommendations and are being withheld from public disclosure pursuant to Exemption (5) of the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(5)) and 10 CFR 9.5(a)(5) of the Commission's regulations. The non-exempt cover memos of these documents are being placed in the PDR.

Portions of document 2 of Appendix B are excerpts from the February 8, 1979 draft Report by the Task Force on NRC Safeguards Policy. That draft report reflected the Task Force's advice, conclusion, deliberations, opinions and recommendations and was withheld from public disclosure in my letter to you dated August 30, 1979. For the same reasons, these excerpts are being withheld from public disclosure pursuant to Exemption (5) of the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(5)) and 10 CFR 9.5(a)(5) of the Commission's regulations. The non-exempt portions of this memorandum are being placed in the PDR.

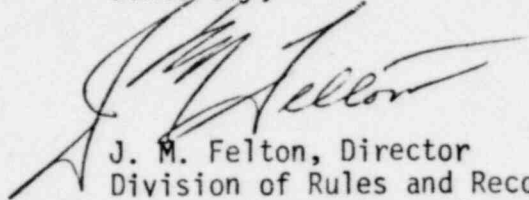
Pursuant to 10 CFR 9.9 of the Commission's regulations, it has been determined that the information withheld is exempt from production or disclosure and that its production or disclosure is contrary to the public interest. The persons responsible for these denials are the undersigned and Mr. William J. Dircks, Director, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.

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These denials may be appealed to the Commission's Executive Director for Operations within 30 days from the receipt of this letter. As provided in 10 CFR 9.11, any such appeal must be in writing, addressed to the Executive Director for Operations; U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555 and should clearly state on the envelope and in the letter that it is an "Appeal from an Initial FOIA Decision."

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. M. Felton", written over a typed name.

J. M. Felton, Director  
Division of Rules and Records  
Office of Administration

Enclosures: As stated

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APPENDIX A

1. January 3, 1977  
Memorandum to B. Huberman from R. B. Minogue, "SECY 76-242C - Physical Protection of Nuclear Power Reactors Against Industrial Sabotage"
2. March 19, 1979  
Memorandum to R. F. Burnett from J. R. Miller, "John Surmeier's Comments"
3. February 2, 1977  
Memorandum to Chairman Rowden, et al, from B. C. Rusche, et al, "Design Basis Threat Information/Response Force Requirements (73.55)"
4. March 16, 1979  
Memorandum to W. Dircks, et al from S. Mullen
5. February 14, 1979  
Memorandum to R. F. Burnett from F. J. Arsenault, "Task Force on NRC Safeguards Policy"
6. December 17, 1976  
Memorandum to L. V. Gossick from S. J. Chilk, "Staff Requirements - Policy Session 76-65, 9:25 A.M., Tuesday, December 14, 1976, Commissioners' Conference Room, DC Office"
7. January 30, 1979  
Memorandum to L. V. Gossick from S. J. Chilk, "SECY 79-12 - Study of the Potential Threat to Licensed Nuclear Activities from Insiders (Commission Action Item)"
8. July 2, 1979  
Memorandum to L. V. Gossick from S. J. Chilk, "Staff Requirements - Discussion of SECY-79-188 - Task Force on NRC Safeguards Policy and SECY-79-187 - Safeguards Upgrade Rule, 2:45 P.M., Wednesday, June 27, 1979, Commissioner's Conference Room, DC Office (Closed to Public Attendance)"
9. April 2, 1979  
Memorandum to Chairman Hendrie, et al from W. J. Dircks, "Differing Professional Views on the Issue of the Safeguards Design Threat Level"

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APPENDIX A

10. August 17, 1979

Memorandum to R. Burnett from  
F. J. Arsenault regarding draft  
report titled "Estimation of  
Consequences in the Nuclear Fuel  
Cycle, Task II."

11. October 11, 1976

"Estimation of Consequences of  
Adversary Actions in the Nuclear  
Power Fuel Cycle" Summary SAI  
Report No. 1-013-71-770-05-1R

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APPENDIX B

1. February 27, 1979

Route slip to S. Mullen, et al  
from S. Mullen "Task Force on NRC  
Safeguards Policy"

2. March 26, 1979

Memorandum to W. J. Dircks from  
R. A. Brightsen, "The Safeguards  
Design Threat Level and the Task  
Force on NRC Safeguards Policy"

3. March 12, 1979

Memorandum to L. V. Gossick from  
R. F. Burnett, "Task Force on NRC  
Safeguards Policy"

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