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Mr. Harold R. Denton, Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D. C. 20555

Shoreham Nuclear Power Station - Unit 1
Docket No. 50-322

Dear Mr. Denton:

In my letter SNRC-379, dated April 19, 1979, I expressed our concerns over the need to move forward with the Shoreham proceedings and the importance of your Staff's publishing the Safety Evaluation Report for Shoreham. We recognize that the Staff's review of Shoreham (and other pending applications) has been slowed by the Three Mile Island (TMI) incident since many of your Staff experts who would otherwise have spent their time on casework have been diverted to TMI studies.

As indicated in my previous letter, the completion of the Staff's review and issuance of the Shoreham SER is central to the ACRS review of the station, and to the beginning of the ASLB hearings. It has been five months since the TMI accident, and the Staff studies occasioned by it either have been completed or are nearing completion. Thus, we anticipate that Staff experts will be available in the near future to complete the review of the "near term" OL applications. Since the Staff review of Shoreham was well advanced prior to TMI, we expect that a Shoreham SER would be issued within a few months after the resumption of casework on the Shoreham docket.

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To that end, we would very much appreciate the opportunity to meet with Messrs. D. B. Vassallo, Acting Director, Division of Project Management and F. Schroeder, Jr., Acting Director, Division of Systems Safety to discuss our concerns regarding the Shoreham licensing schedule, and to insure that those items which are critical to the issuance of the Shoreham SER are identified and are afforded the requisite priority both within our own organization and within the NRC. I would suggest that such a meeting be conducted sometime during the week of October 7, 1979. Please advise us of your availability so that we can be there at your convenience.

Very truly yours,

A. W. Wofford
Vice President

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