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The Honorable William J. Hughes
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Hughes:

Your letter of August 29, 1978 to our Chairman, Dr. Joseph M. Hendrie, concerning Mr. Russell C. Lauver's letter of July 26, 1978 to you, has been referred to me for reply. Mr. Lauver's letter conveys his concern over apparent New Jersey Civil Defense authorities' suggestions that clubhouses at the Crestwood Village be used to house any evacuees from the environs surrounding the Forked River Nuclear Power Plant (under construction) in the event of an accident at that facility requiring such evacuation.

At the present time the State of New Jersey has a radiological emergency response plan which has been concurred in by the NRC. This plan is coordinated with local government emergency plans (Salem and Ocean counties) for the Salem and Oyster Creek Nuclear facilities. In the case of the Forked River facility, the local emergency plan would also be the responsibility of Ocean County Civil Defense authorities, and would probably be very similar, if not identical, to the existing Ocean County local emergency plan for the Oyster Creek Nuclear Power Plant. According to the Ocean County Annex to the State radiological emergency plan, the Crestview Village clubhouses are earmarked to receive any relocated residents of the Bayview Convalescent Hospital in the event that this becomes necessary because of a radiological release from the Oyster Creek Plant. We understand that this arrangement was worked out with Ocean County Civil Defense authorities. If this is not the case, then this matter should be dealt with by the appropriate State and local government authorities involved, and Mr. Lauver.

It is highly unlikely that any radiation effects would reach the residents of Crestwood Village at a distance of 15 miles in the event of an accident at the Forked River Nuclear Power Plant. It is also highly unlikely that any potential evacuees from the environs surrounding the Forked River Nuclear Power Plant would be contaminated as a result of an accident at that plant.

In summary, the matter of using private facilities such as the Crestwood Village clubhouses for emergency preparedness purposes is a matter that should be worked out by the parties involved, i.e. State, local government authorities and the owners of the private facilities. The lead agency in New Jersey for developing the technical aspects of radiological

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emergency response plans is the State Bureau of Radiation Protection. The Bureau Director is Mr. Eugene Fisher, telephone 609-292-5586. This planning is done in conjunction with the State Office of Civil Defense and Disaster Control, the New Jersey State Police, and local governments which are adjacent to the nuclear facilities. We suggest that Mr. Lauver contact Mr. Fisher and the appropriate local government authorities concerning any planned emergency use of the private facilities involved.

Sincerely,

(Signed) William J. Dircks
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