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Mr. Joseph M. Hendrie, Chairman
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
1717 "H" Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Chairman Hendrie:

The U.S. Conference of Mayors is presently working in the area of emergency preparedness and is in the process of developing comprehensive emergency preparedness guidelines for implementation at the local level.

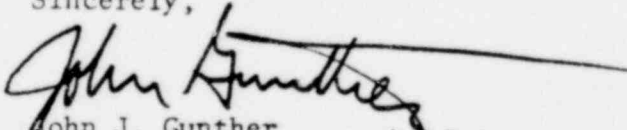
During an assessment of emergency operation in our member cities, we have become aware that many cities located near nuclear power plants are not adequately prepared to respond if a nuclear accident should occur at these facilities.

The Conference of Mayors, at its Annual Meeting on June 9-13, 1979, unanimously adopted official positions in the area of nuclear power plant safety. The resolution calls for close interaction between local governments and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in the area of preparation for potential nuclear power plant accidents. I am enclosing copies of our policy position and our Comprehensive Emergency Preparedness Program Brochure for your information.

We know of your concern in this area and we have been in contact with Harold Collins of your staff during the past few months.

We would appreciate the opportunity to meet with you in the near future to discuss how the Conference and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission can work together to insure that cities located near nuclear facilities are adequately prepared for all potential emergency situations. If you have any questions or if we can be of any assistance, please contact Michael Clancy, Director of our Comprehensive Emergency Preparedness Project. He may be reached at 293-4911.

Sincerely,


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