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UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

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The Honorable Lawton Chiles United States Senate Federal Building Lakeland, Florida 33801

Dear Senator Chiles:

Your September 11, 1979 letter to Mr. Carlton Kammerer, Director of our Office of Congressional Affairs has been referred to me for reply. Your letter forwarded several pieces of correspondence concerning essentially two matters, NRC sponsored training and aerial photographs of a nuclear power facility in Citrus County, Florida.

Mr. George Allen, Director of Citrus County Department of Disaster Preparedness, and Commissioner Wayne Jordan of Citrus County wrote letters on December 5, 1978 and August 27, 1979, respectively, to Florida State officials, requesting radiological response training at the Department of Energy (DOE) Nevada Test Site. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission provides the training through a DOE contractor at the test site. The only requirement for admission is that the student is or will be assigned to a State or local government radiological emergency response team. The prospective student must also be nominated by either the State Director of Radiological Health, or the State Director of Civil Defense or Emergency Services. Sixteen classes of 25 persons are scheduled each fiscal year.

We learned of the request for training from Citrus County through information copies of the county letters to the State. Earlier this month we offered the State eight spaces in two courses to be conducted in September, 1980. Mr. Robert Kohler of the State Bureau of Disaster Preparedness assured us that Citrus County will be given two of these eight spaces. We hope to be able to accommodate additional Citrus County officials during FY 1981.

Concerning the aerial photographs of the Crystal River nuclear power facility in Citrus County, NRC's contractor for aerial photography has not taken those photographs. When they are available, a copy of each photo and a copy of the negatives will be provided to the Florida Bureau of Disaster Preparedness so that prints can be furnished within the

State as desired. However, we do not expect to receive the Crystal River aerial photographs until sometime early next year.

I trust that this information is responsive to your request.

Sincerely,

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