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Dear Mr. Roecklein:

This letter will document previous verbal comments that I gave you relative to the draft regulatory guide on <u>Instructions</u> Concerning Risk from Occupational Exposure (Task OH 902-1, dated May 1980).

This "for comment" draft was reviewed by four individuals and two general comments were common with all of the reviewers: First that this was well done and would be a valuable assist to operating personnel; and secondly it was felt that a minor reorganization would improve its usefulness. This reorganization would involve moving information from tables 5 and 2 into the beginning of the discussion. This would result in introducing the relative risk concept (nuclear worker vs other occupations) early in the discussion. This would tend to allay any preconceived concerns about nuclear operations that a neophite worker may have. This then could be followed by the remainder of the detailed discussion. We feel that the presentation as currently organized may scare a potential worker off before he understands the situation.

I hope this comment will improve an already good document.

I must state that even though the individuals who made these comments are employed at Oak Ridge National Laboratory, they are personal comments and do not necessarily reflect the position of ORNL.

Sincerely,

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