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Docket No. 50-29

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Gentlemen:

The enclosed IE Information Notice No. 80-24, "Low-Level Radioactive Waste Burial Criteria," is forwarded to you for information. If you generate low-level radioactive waste which is to be disposed of by eventual burial at one of the three commercial burial facilities in the States of Nevada, South Carolina, or Washington, you should review and abide by the criteria for low-level radioactive waste form as established by each burial site.

No written response is required. If you desire additional information regarding this matter, please contact this office.

Sincerely.

Enclosures:

IE Information Notice No. 80-24 with Enclosure List of Recently Issued IE Information Notices

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LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE BURIAL CRITERIA

This Notice Supersedes Enclosure #1 to IE Information Notice 79-21, September 7, 1979

IE Information Notice No. 79-21, "Transportation and Commercial Burial of Radioactive Material" alerted licensees to the concern expressed by the Governors of the Agreement States of Nevada, South Carolina and Washington over the repeated disregard by waste generators and shippers for the rules governing shipments of low-level radioactive wastes to their burial facilities. That Notice also provided information regarding the regulatory requirements for packaging, transportation and disposal of radioactive material. Enclosure #1 to the Notice was a summary of the low-level radioactive waste burial criteria for the three burial sites as of July 11, 1979.

Since the issuance of IE Information Notice 79-21, there have been a number of changes to those criteria. An edited and updated version of Enclosure No. 1 to that Notice has been prepared and is hereby reissued as IE Information Notice No. 80-24. These criteria have been reviewed with state officials and the burial site operators.

It is important to note that administrative and shipper certification requirements associated with the burial sites are not reflected in the enclosed criteria. These requirements are frequently revised, as are the specific details on packagings, waste form and volumes.

It is imperative, therefore, that shippers confirm the latest requirements directly with the waste disposal collectors and site operators.

No written response to this Information Notice is required.

Enclosure: Low-Level Radioactive Waste Burial Criteria, March 10, 1980

