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

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Docket No. 50-124

Mr. T. F. Parkinson
Director, Nuclear Laboratory
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and
State University
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Dear Mr. Parkinson:

Enclosed is a copy of the "Notice of Proposed Renewal of Facility License" which is being filed with the Office of the Federal Register for publication. The Notice relates to your application dated October 2, 1979, as supplemented March 19, 1980, for a license amendment to renew Facility License No. R-62 for your Argonaut-type nuclear reactor and to increase its licensed power level.

The expiration date for this license was November 16, 1979. Since your application was submitted at least 30 days prior to the expiration date of your license, you have satisfied the requirements of 10 CFR Part 2, Section 2.109, entitled "Effect of Timely Renewal Application." Accordingly, pursuant to 10 CFR 2.109, the existing license will not be deemed to have expired until the application has been finally determined. If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact us.

Sincerely,

Robert W. Reid, Chief
Operating Reactors Branch #4
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Enclosure: Notice

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