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Mr. Samuel J. Chilk
Secretary of the Commission
U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20555



RE: Comments on Petition Filed January 6, 1980 by William K. Watson to Amend 10 CFR Part 50 Entitled "Domestic Licensing of Production and Utilization Facilities", Docket #PRM-50-26

Dear Mr. Chilk:

After a careful reading of the two-page petition and the six-page article including two pages of drawings from an unidentified publication entitled "Why Nuclear Power Should Go Under Ground" attached thereto for support, I have come to the conclusion that the petitioner should be sent as a special emissary of NRC Commissioner Peter Bradford to the Bikini atoll for checking out its environment first-hand. In short, this petition and its supporting article should quickly be buried in the ground of "LOWER SLOBOVIA" at the Federal Government's expense for civil defense purposes before these highly dangerous documents sustain a direct hit by nuclear weapons detonated at ground level and having an equivalent yield of up to five megatons in an attack from a grudgingly small country to prevent contamination of the mind of all its sane and rational citizens from the resulting fall out.

Although petitioner professes to support the use of nuclear energy as long as it's buried deep underground - presumably below the earth's mantle, this petition and its supporting article smack of obstructionism and cater to the hysteria fanned by the mass media by all the better people who lecture us on how capitalism puts raw power over human lives. In the name of nuclear safety, petitions like this have only one purpose and, that is, to hound the nuclear power industry out of existence. This, unfortunately, is currently being done by a number of different tactics, the most successful of which is to burden utilities with a long list of "safety" regulations involving major changes, delays and additional costs that would bankrupt them, and when utilities are thus forced to cancel orders for new nuclear plants, to boast "You see? Nuclear power is just uneconomical as well as dangerous." In sum, if the de-industrializer advisors succeed in strangling America's safest, cleanest and most abundant domestic source of energy through outrageous lies about nuclear energy,

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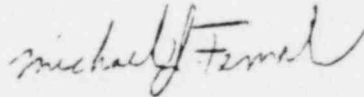
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they will certainly have no difficulty in killing the less safe and imported sources, such as coal and oil, respectively. Unless we are willing to accept the reduction in our standard of living and stagnation in our economy, we better wake up and do away with unnecessary regulations like those proposed by the petitioner which only serve to throttle nuclear power development and add nothing to its safe use. In addition, if the petitioner is close enough to a nuclear power facility as to worry about the containment vessels being ruptured during a nuclear attack, his real worries are minimal since, in all probabilities, he will never survive the initial attack.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Michael J. Femal".

Michael J. Femal

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