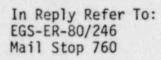
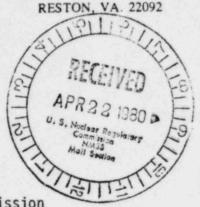


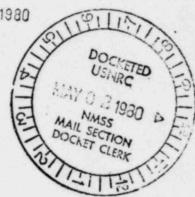
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Mr. W. T. Crow U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Division of Fuel Cycle and Material Safety, 396-SS Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Crow:

We have reviewed the environmental report for the nuclear fuel fabrication plant in Autaugh County, Alabama.

The environmental statement should identify the aquifer(s) tapped by the Prattville wells (p. 2-18) and should assess the impacts of the plant's water demand on the Prattsville system and on the aquifer(s). The average municipal water demand for Prattville should be included. The description on page 2-18 should more clearly indicate the yield of the individual wells and capacity of the entire system. The general direction of the water-table gradient should be given; the locations of the drainage features of figure 2-7 (p. 2-34) would suggest that some of the monitoring wells for the shallow aquifer might be upgradient from the plant.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely yours,

for H. William Menard

Director

