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March 21, 1980

Honorable Joseph M. Hendrie
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Dear Mr. Chairman:

The Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations of the House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce is charged under Rule X of the Rules of the House of Representatives with the review and study on a continuing basis of the application, administration, execution and effectiveness of those laws or parts of laws, the subject matter of which is within the jurisdiction of the Committee, and the organization and operation of the federal agencies and entities having responsibilities in or for the administration and execution thereof, in order to determine whether such laws and the programs thereunder are being implemented and carried out in accordance with the intent of Congress and whether such programs should be continued, revised or eliminated. We are further directed to study any conditions or circumstances which may indicate the necessity or desirability of enacting new or additional legislation within the Committee's jurisdiction. In meeting these responsibilities the Subcommittee is presently undertaking an inquiry into the role and the impact of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in the administration of those laws and the operation of federal agencies for which our Committee has jurisdiction.

In this regard we will appreciate your assistance in responding to the following questions and attaching any relevant documents which support those responses:

1. Please provide a description of those agency actions or requirements which are subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget, including but not limited to budgetary requests, requests for changes in statutory authority, agency structure, personnel ceilings, prospective testimony before Congressional Committees and proposed agency regulations. Additionally, please describe for each the basis for that review, including but not limited to whether they are mandated by statute, occur at the request of OMB or by practice of the agency. Please state when these proposals are submitted to OMB

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(e.g., before or simultaneously with submittal to Congress) and whether OMB's response is considered mandatory or merely advisory to the agency.

2. Please describe the process by which your agency makes proposals to OMB and the manner in which OMB reviews and acts upon those proposals. Include any self-initiated reviews by OMB. Please provide for the past five years, by name and title, the individual or individuals within your agency who works (worked) directly with OMB personnel as well as the name of the individual or individuals within OMB who are (were) directly responsible for the review of your agency's proposals.
3. For each of the last five fiscal years please supply the following information:
 - a. The amount of budget authority requested of the Office of Management and Budget for your agency, including supplemental requests, as well as the amount approved by OMB in each instance. If such requests were made based upon particular laws or programs, please provide that information by law or program.
 - b. The number of personnel for the agency requested of OMB as well as the number of personnel approved by OMB. If such personnel was requested based upon particular laws or programs, please provide that number according to such law or program. Include a discussion of how the personnel ceiling was reached for your agency and the extent to which that ceiling has necessitated contracting by your agency with outside consultants.
 - c. All proposals which you have submitted to OMB for changes in statutory authority affecting your agency as well as a description as to the manner in which OMB has or has not acted upon those proposals.
 - d. Copies of all testimony prepared for delivery to Congressional Committees which have undergone changes or proposed changes as a result of OMB review. If possible, please provide copies of the testimony as it was submitted to OMB before such changes or proposed changes were made. If copies of pertinent testimony are not available, then please provide as detailed a description as possible of such changes or proposed changes that have been made by OMB.

Honorable Joseph M. Hendrie

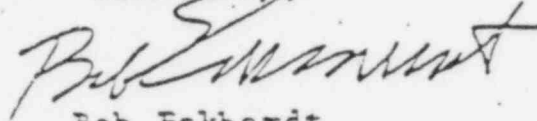
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- e. Any other decision or action on the part of OMB which has had an impact, whether to hinder, enhance or alter, the current mission of your agency or the development of any new regulatory programs or activities.

The Subcommittee will appreciate your cooperation with this request and asks that we receive your response by the close of business April 14, 1980. Should you have any questions regarding the request, please contact Subcommittee Counsel Patrick McLain (225-4441).

Sincerely,



Bob Eckhardt
Chairman

Subcommittee on
Oversight and Investigations

ENCLOSURE 1

Budget History
FY 1977 - FY 1981
(Dollars in Thousands)*

	FY 1977		FY 1978		FY 1978 Supplemental		FY 1979	
	Commission Request	OMB Approval	Commission Request	OMB Approval	Commission Request	OMB Approval	Commission Request	OMB Approval
NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION								
Program Support	\$ 14,325	\$ 14,325	\$ 14,575	\$ 14,307	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 18,310	\$ 15,680
People	(649)	(613)	(642)	(618)	(-)	(-)	(635)	(616)
STANDARDS DEVELOPMENT								
Program Support	5,598	5,598	6,010	5,747	-	-	7,010	6,800
People	(170)	(153)	(153)	(153)	(-)	(-)	(160)	(157)
INSPECTION & ENFORCEMENT								
Program Support	3,730	3,730	4,350	3,979	600	500	4,780	4,310
People	(683)	(592)	(713)	(666)	(75)	(61)	(860)	(715)
NUCLEAR MATERIAL SAFETY & SAFEGUARDS								
Program Support	8,400	8,400	11,520	10,971	2,700	2,700	13,020	13,020
People	(306)	(276)	(315)	(284)	(-)	(-)	(301)	(293)
NUCLEAR REGULATORY RESEARCH								
Program Support	130,040	109,255	139,015	132,810	-	-	154,970	147,100
People	(143)	(135)	(167)	(150)	(-)	(-)	(170)	(162)
PROGRAM TECHNICAL SUPPORT								
Program Support	1,387	1,387	910	892	300	-	1,650	1,650
People	(226)	(212)	(251)	(241)	(-)	(-)	(239)	(239)
PROGRAM DIRECTION & ADMINISTRATION								
Program Support	4,300	4,300	10,285	10,250	-	-	2,890	2,890
People	(573)	(548)	(606)	(583)	(-)	(-)	(634)	(606)
Subtotal Program								
Support	\$ 167,780	\$ 146,995	\$ 186,665	\$ 178,956	\$ 4,600	\$ 3,200	\$ 202,630	\$ 191,450
Total People	(2,750)	(2,529)	(2,847)	(2,695)	(75)	(61)	(2,999)	(2,788)
Personnel Comp.								
Personnel Benefits	\$ 69,095	\$ 65,750	\$ 77,670	\$ 73,800	\$ 760	\$ 455	\$ 88,400	\$ 84,020
Admin. Support	6,225	5,920	7,000	6,700	70	45	8,000	7,740
Travel	17,500	17,300	17,980	17,580	960	1,040	31,940	31,940
Equipment	4,990	4,755	5,505	5,370	600	600	7,380	6,780
TOTAL	8,710	8,710	10,280	9,744	10	10	10,130	8,740
TOTAL	\$ 274,300	\$ 249,430	\$ 305,100	\$ 292,150	\$ 7,000	\$ 5,350	\$ 348,480	\$ 330,670

Budget History
 FY 1977 - FY 1981
 (Dollars in Thousands)

	FY 1980		FY 1980 Supplemental		FY 1981	
	Commission Request	OMB Approval	Commission Request	OMB Approval	Commission Request	OMB Approval
NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION						
Program Support	\$ 20,576	\$ 21,151	\$ 10,760	\$ 10,760	\$ 26,073	\$ 26,073
People	(746)	(716)	(-)	(-)	(775)	(722)
STANDARDS DEVELOPMENT						
Program Support	6,700	6,425	1,520	1,520	7,150	7,150
People	(162)	(157)	(9)	(3)	(168)	(161)
INSPECTION & ENFORCEMENT						
Program Support	5,285	5,285	600	600	6,794	6,691
People	(729)	(724)	(11)	(11)	(958)	(947)
NUCLEAR MATERIAL SAFETY & SAFEGUARDS						
Program Support	16,525	15,779	2,400	2,400	24,245	21,745
People	(309)	(297)	(23)	(16)	(347)	(335)
NUCLEAR REGULATORY RESEARCH						
Program Support	186,350	168,000	27,200	23,900	227,600	207,100
People	(173)	(159)	(11)	(5)	(189)	(178)
PROGRAM TECHNICAL SUPPORT						
Program Support	1,935	1,930	1,155	1,145	2,798	2,798
People	(249)	(246)	(32)	(20)	(294)	(294)
PROGRAM DIRECTION & ADMINISTRATION						
Program Support	2,572	2,400	-	-	2,537	2,537
People	(621)	(597)	(8)	(5)	(787)	(753)
Subtotal Program Support	\$ 239,943	\$ 220,970	\$ 43,635	\$ 40,325	\$ 297,197	\$ 274,094
Total People	(2,989)	(2,896)	(94)	(60)	(3,518)	(3,390)
Personnel Comp.	\$ 94,715	\$ 92,140	\$ 1,255	\$ 500	\$ 114,745	\$ 112,730
Personnel Benefits	8,995	8,720	120	50	11,010	10,820
Admin. Support	36,300	34,100	7,933	7,530	53,646	47,366
Travel	7,327	7,320	625	625	9,200	9,200
Equipment	11,250	10,050	1,000	170	16,280	14,280
TOTAL	\$ 398,530	\$ 373,300	\$ 54,568	\$ 49,200	\$ 502,078	\$ 468,490

ENCLOSURE 2