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Dear Mr. Hoffman:

The FEMA/NRC Steering Committee has econsidered the appropriate size of Emergency Planning Zones for relatively small water cooled power reactors (less than 250 mw thermal). The Steering Committee has adopted the enclosed position on the planning basis for these reactors, which include your plant. The NRC's proposed rule and NUREG-0654/FEMA-REP-1 will be modified to conform to this position.

Sincere ...

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Enclosure: Planning Basis

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## PLANNING BASIS

## FOR SMALL WATER REACTORS AND FT. ST. VRAIN

The FEMA/NRC Steering Committee has concluded that small water cooled power reactors (less than 250 MWt) and the Ft. St. Vrain gas cooled reactor may use a plume exposure emergency planning zone of about 5 miles and an ingestion pathway emergency planning zone of about 30 miles. This conclusion is based on the lower potential hazard from these facilities (lower radionuclide inventory and longer times to release significant amounts of activity for many scenarios). The radionuclides considered in planning should be the same as recommended in NUREG-0396.

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