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FROM: W. Minners, Director  
Division of Safety Issue Resolution  
Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research

SUBJECT: MARK III CONTAINMENT DRAFT REPORT

Enclosed is a copy of our issue characterization report, "A Preliminary Assessment of BWR Mark III Containment Challenges, Failure Modes, and Potential Improvements in Performance," for your review and comment. In order to incorporate comments into the final report which is to be published the first part of next year in support of the IPE program, we request that you provide formal comments no later than December 13, 1989.

W. Minners, Director  
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Enclosure: A Preliminary Assessment of BWR Mark III  
Containment Challenges, Failure Modes, and  
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