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Ms. Rita Meyninger  
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Region II  
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New York, NY 10007

Dear Ms. Meyninger:

I am pleased to forward herewith a draft of the New York State Radiological Emergency Preparedness Plan for informal review and comment by your Agency, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and other concerned Federal agencies.

This draft, although not yet in final form, addresses the criteria contained in NUREG-0654, FEMA-REP-1, as restated in 10 CFR 50, Appendix E.

We have prepared an overall radiological plan -- one which deals with all types of radiological emergencies, and all phases of emergency preparedness. The final version of our efforts will reflect the overall concept. However, this submission is limited to Nuclear Power Plant emergencies, because of our desire to submit the required material for review by September 1, as agreed at the start of our project in May.

This submission contains (section III H) site specific state plan material for the four counties surrounding the Indian Point site. To save time, the other site specific material will be submitted no later than October 1.

Under separate cover, we will transmit the Putnam, Rockland, Orange and Westchester County plans for review and comments. The other county plans will be submitted as soon as possible.

The enclosed draft is actually our third effort. It was assembled after review of our second draft by the counties, the utilities and other interested parties. We are still receiving comments, so we intend to consider your observations and those for which we could not wait, in a mid-September update, if warranted.

We will make a complete formal submission in advance of FEMA and NRC filing dates, but we remain concerned about the approval process

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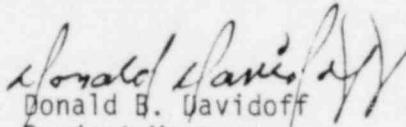
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resulting in total review and acceptance before April 1, 1981, which is the date imposed on the nuclear power plant operators by the NRC. As noted previously, we are also concerned about the effect on a very tight time table of your exercise and public meeting requirements. We remain committed to meeting all requirements.

Implementation of our plan is also of major concern. Our counties, and the state itself, are going to need additional funds to carry out the promises made in our plan. Funding must be identified soon.

We are ready to meet with you at any time. We trust that this informal submission will save time in the long run.

Sincerely yours,

  
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