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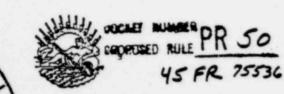
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Docketing and Service Branch Attention:

> Subject: Proposed Rule - 10.CFR Part 50 Fracture Toughness Requirements For Nuclear Power Reactors

Dear Sir:

The subject proposed rule was noticed in the Federal Register of November 14, 1980. 45 Fed. Reg. 75536. The Power Authority appreciates this opportunity to comment on those proposed regulations.

The Fower Authority supports the Commission's efforts to continue to insure the safe operation of nuclear facilities as represented in the proposed rules. The Power Authority does, however, have comments which are attached for your consideration. The purpose of the comments is to insure that the regulations maintain the highest safety standards possible while eliminating overly restrictive requirements, on this non-oil based form of energy production, which result in little or no concurrent safety benefit.



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