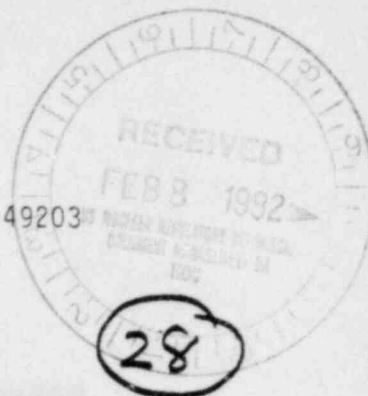


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Dear Sir:

This letter is in response to your Notice of Filing of Petition for Rulemaking [Docket No. PRM-50-30] published in the Federal Register on December 17, 1981 [FR 61484]. The petition requests that the Commission amend its regulations in 10 CFR 50 to extend the operating life of a nuclear plant from the current 40 years from CP.

I believe, as an individual, that this proposal makes a lot of sense. When I buy a car, in 1982, I really don't care that it was designed in 1978 or 1979, but rather that it was manufactured in 1981 or 1982. Similarly, it is simply not relevant (nor was it ever) when the CP was granted.

In fact, it may well be argued that no arbitrary limit should be set. Rather, the plant should be licensed for as long as it can be operated safely and efficiently. If this is 20 years or 50 years, what's the difference.

Obviously, the NRC has the responsibility to ensure the public health and safety, and it has done so. It has the authority to shut down a plant at any time it deems warranted. I can't believe that the date the CP was approved has any real relevance to that determination.

As a first step in bringing more sense to the area, therefore, I strongly recommend that the NRC adopt the petitioner's position.

Yours very truly,

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