MEMORANDUM FOR: Those on the Attached List

FROM:

Brian K. Grimes, Director Division of Reactor Inspection

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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

SUBJECT:

FINAL DRAFT INDUSTRY DESIGN BASIS PROGRAM GUIDELINES

The enclosed Nuclear Managrament and Resources Council (NUMARC) final draft guidelines for Design Bas's Programs was recently forwarded to the NRC for review. NUMARC intends to issue their guidelines to the industry in June 1990 for use on a voluntary basis. We have held several prior meetings with NUMARC to discuss their guidelines. NUMARC has amended portions of their guidelines based upon our comments to date.

The final draft document is provided for your review and comment. NUMARC has requested that the NRC endorse the guidelines as providing an acceptable means for licensees' development of design basis documentation. Thus, your review should identify any specific exceptions to the report that the NRC should take if we endorse the guidelines. NUMARC has requested a meeting on June 18, 1990 to discuss the final draft. NUMARC has previously requested the opportunity to present these guidelines to the regions. We request regional participation during the meeting cheduled for June 18 at 10:00 a.m. Please forward any comments that you have regarding the guidelines and (for Regions) indicate the names of the personnel that will attend the meeting to Bob Gramm (492-0991) by June 13, 1990.

Original signed by Wayne D. Lanning

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Enclosure: NUMARC Final Draft Design Basis Program Guidelines

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