

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20656

July 3, 1990

The Honorable Don Nickles United States Senate Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Nickles:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated June 27, 1990, transmitting correspondence from your constituent, L. A. Tharp, concerning the deregulation of certain low-level radioactive waste to "Below Regulatory Concern."

Please be assured that we are working on a response and a reply will be forwarded to you as soon as possible.

Sincerely.

Dennis K. Rathbun, Director Congressional Affairs

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