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The Honorable David Pryor United States House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Congressman Pryor:

The following information is provided in response to your inquiry of November 9, 1981, concerning your constituent Dr. D.M. Mathews, and his interest in low-level radioactive waste.

Dr. Mathews' remarks are in response to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) request for the submission of written comments to the Proposed Rule 10 CFR 61 published in the Federal Register on July 24, 1981. As with other rulemaking actions, the Commission actively seeks comments from the public and considers the merits of these comments prior to publishing a rule in final form.

Please be assured that the NRC is actively considering Dr. Mathews' remarks, along with all other comments received prior to the comment period expiration date of January 14, 1982. When the Commission has completed its review, a report will be issued.

We hope this reply is responsive to the concerns of your constituent. Should further information on the subject be required, please contact my office.

Sincerely.

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