



FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Washington, D.C. 20472

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Honorable John F. Ahearne
Chairman
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Members of your staff have furnished the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) with a copy of the NRC proposed Final Rule on Emergency Preparedness. FEMA has furnished your staff with a draft of a proposed rule on FEMA Review and Approval of State and local Radiological Emergency Plans and Preparedness.

There has been considerable interchange among staff including a meeting today when all remaining FEMA comments on the NRC rule were accommodated.

The NRC rule is consistent with our proposed procedures for review of State plans and preparedness, and submission to NRC of findings and determinations with respect to the adequacy of State and local plans and capabilities of State and local governments effectively to implement the plans. Also NRC will be furnished copies of FEMA approval of State and local plans as appropriate.

Further, the final rule meets the matter which FEMA raised in its comments on the proposed rule. FEMA now supports the issuance of the rule as proposed.

Sincerely yours,

George Jett
General Counsel