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UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

February 28, 1994

CHAIRMAN

The Honorable Christine T. Whitman
Governor of New Jersey
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0402

Dear Governor Whitman:

In 1976, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission adopted a recommendation of State organizations, including the National Governors' Association, that we request each State to appoint a single person to act as liaison to NRC to improve Federal/State cooperation. The NRC looks to the Governor-appointed State Liaison Officers to provide a communication channel between the States and the NRC; to be the key person in the State to keep the Governor completely informed on regulatory health and safety matters as appropriate to their interests and responsibilities; and to provide NRC with answers to questions posed to the States on particular issues.


I am writing to solicit New Jersey's continued participation in the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's State Liaison Officer program. The individual you select can be someone from your staff who can communicate effectively with other State agencies on nuclear issues.

Former Governor Florio appointed Jeanne Fox, former Acting Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection and Energy (DEPE), as New Jersey's State Liaison Officer. We understand Ms. Fox has vacated this position. I hope you share the Commission's belief in the value of this program and will advise us of your new appointment at an early date. We will keep you informed of major NRC programs and activities through the Acting Commissioner of the DEPE. At the same time, we will maintain our ties to those State agencies with whom we have established relationships for specific issues.

If you or your staff have any questions or wish additional information, please contact Richard Bangart, Director of NRC's Office of State Programs, at 301-504-3340 or David Chawaga, our Region I State Liaison Officer, at 215-337-5246.

I am looking forward to continuing an excellent working relationship with the State of New Jersey.

Sincerely,


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