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Nuclear Support Services, Inc.
ATTN: Mr. Joseph Quick, President
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Dear Sir:

SUBJECT: ORDER REQUIRING REMOVAL OF INDIVIDUAL AND DIRECTING
REVIEW OF PERSONNEL SECURITY FILES

The NRC received Licensee Event Reports from two NRC licensees indicating that an employee of Nuclear Support Services, Inc., (NSSI) had been improperly granted unescorted access at their plants based on written requests from the NSSI Security Officer certifying that the individual had met all Fitness for Duty requirements. These requests belied the fact that the individual had four past drug-related access denials at other nuclear plants since 1987. When asked about these matters by an investigator from the NRC Office of Investigations (OI Report No. 3-91-017) in January 1993, the NSSI Security Officer stated that he had verbally made the licensees aware of the past access denials while the licensees were considering the applications for access authorization. Additional evidence obtained during the OI investigation proved this to be a false statement.

The enclosed Order is being issued to require NSSI, on an immediately effective basis, to: (1) remove the former NSSI Security Officer involved here from participation in any NRC-licensed or regulated activities, (2) notify persons contacting NSSI for potential employment of the former NSSI Security Officer of the existence of this order and the order issued to the individual, (3) notify the NRC of the licensees who employ or have employed NSSI personnel whose recommendation for access authorization was processed by the former NSSI Security Officer, and (4) require NSSI to complete a review of the personnel security files in which the former NSSI Security Officer was involved or which were processed during the individual's tenure as NSSI Security Officer to assure that any NSSI personnel recommended for unescorted access to NRC-licensed nuclear plants from November 1989 to May 1991 met all applicable Fitness-for-Duty and access authorization requirements. Questions concerning this Order should be addressed to Mr. James Lieberman, Director, Office of Enforcement, who can be reached at (301) 504-2741. Failure to comply with the provisions of this Order may result in civil or criminal sanctions.

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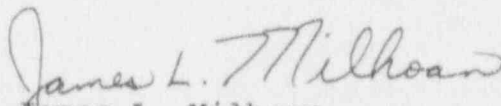
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Because of his deliberate false statements to the NRC investigator, a separate Order is being issued to NSSI's former Security Officer (currently the NSSI Vice President of Safety) to prohibit his involvement in NRC-licensed or regulated activities for a period of five years. Certain other actions are required of him relative to seeking other employment.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and the enclosure will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room.

Sincerely,



James L. Milhoan
Deputy Executive Director for Nuclear
Reactor Regulation, Regional Operations
and Research

Enclosure:

1. Order Directing Review of
Personnel Security Files
2. Order to Individual
3. Synopsis of OI Investigation
(Report No. 3-91-017)

cc w/enclosure:
Robert C. Dailey
SECY