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Dear Mr. Edwards:

This letter confirms our telephone conversation of February 28, 1994, held in response to your letter to me dated January 25, 1994, in which you requested an extension of the deadline for public comments on the matters covered in the staff discussion paper noticed in 59 FR 2542, January 18, 1994. As I informed you, the March 4, 1994, close of the public comment period stated in the <u>Federal Register</u> notice will not be changed. The notice states that "Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so." The sooner Yankee Atomic' comments are received, the easier it will be for the staff to consider them in the development of the paper due to the Commission in early June 1994.

Thank you for your interest in these matters. I look forward to receiving your comments.

Sincerely,

Donald P. Cleary, Senior Task Manager Regulation Development Branch Division of Regulatory Applications

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