



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

March 21, 1994

The Honorable Edwin W. Edwards
Governor of Louisiana
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802

Dear Governor Edwards:

I am writing to invite the State of Louisiana's continued participation in the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's State Liaison Officer Program. It is my understanding that the most recent State Liaison Officer, Dr. L. Hall Bohlinger, formerly Administrator of the Radiation Protection Division in the Office of Air Quality and Radiation Protection, Environmental Quality Department, has left that position. We have been communicating with Mr. William H. Spell, the new Administrator, and will continue to do so unless you inform us of a new appointee.

In 1976, the NRC 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 for the purpose of improving Federal/State cooperation. The NRC looks to the Governor-appointed State Liaison Officer to provide a communication channel between the State and the NRC; to be the key person in the State to keep the Governor informed on nuclear regulatory and related public health and safety matters; and to provide NRC with information on particular issues. We will keep you informed of our programs and activities through Mr. Spell. At the same time, we will maintain our ties to those State agencies with whom we have established relationships on specific issues.

I look forward to Louisiana's continued participation in the NRC's State Liaison Officer program. 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 Charles Hackney, our Region IV State Liaison Officer, at 817-860-8267.

Sincerely,

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Acting Chairman

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