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Dear Mr. Golini:

Thank you for your recent letter (June 4, 1993) commenting on the need for a mandatory two-person radiography crew. As you probably know, in October 1992, the International Union of Operating Engineers (IOUE), Local No. 2, petitioned the NRC to amend its radiography regulations to require a minimum of two radiography personnel when performing radiography at temporary jobsites. The NRC published a notice of the receipt of the petition in the Federal Register on December 4, 1992 (57 FR 57392), and requested comments on the petition. Thirty-eight comments were received, 35 in favor and 3 against.

The NRC has addressed this petition in its proposed revision of its 10 CFR Part 34, and the revision constitutes a partial granting of the petition although it does not adopt all of the options proposed by the petitioners. This proposed revision is expected to reach publication in the Federal Register within the next two months and will include a request for comments from interested persons. The NRC hopes that you will be able to comment both on the proposed two-person crew and other aspects of the proposed revision after publication.

Again, thank you for your comments and if I can be of any assistance please call me at (301) 492-3628.

Sincerely,

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