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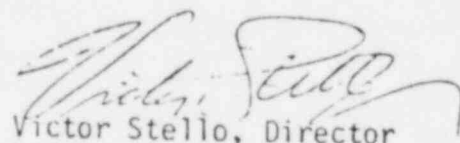
SUBJECT: REMOVAL OF BEEP TONES FROM NRC OPERATIONS CENTER
TELEPHONES

This is response to your memorandum of August 21, 1981, to Brian Grimes regarding alternative methods of notifying persons calling or receiving calls from the NRC Operations Center that such calls are recorded.

We have reviewed the alternatives proposed and have had discussions with members of the Telecommunications Branch. We believe that the best alternative from both an operational and technical perspective would be a combination of alternatives 3 and 4. More specifically, we request that the beep tones be removed from the dedicated lines where there is a limited and controlled population i.e. the Emergency Notification System, Health Physics Network and dedicated lines to other agencies. All users of these dedicated telephone systems will be notified that all telephone conversations on these lines will be recorded.

All interconnecting access lines outside the NRC Operations Center networks should have automatic beep tones applied. However, the current beep tone generators should be modified to provide synchronized beep tones or a single beep tone generator should be provided to produce the beep tone on all the "outside" lines. In addition, it is imperative that the modification be so arranged that the beep tones can be disabled if operational difficulties arise.

Please advise me as soon as possible of the timetable for implementing the modifications requested in this memorandum.


Victor Stello, Director
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cc: W. Dircks, EDO