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Frank J. Carr, Commissioner  
Automated Data and Telecommunications Service  
General Services Administration  
10th and F Streets, N. W.  
Washington, D. C. 20405

Dear Mr. Carr:

Pursuant to FPMR 101-37, I have enclosed a copy of the determination of public safety necessity for recording capability in the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Operations Center.

This determination does not change recording or monitoring capabilities in this agency. All telephone conversations involving instruments within the NRC Operations Center will be recorded to provide a chronological record of all information received and all actions taken by the NRC to assure protection of the public health and safety in the event of an incident involving NRC licensed facilities or authorized activities.

All such conversations involving telephones outside the NRC emergency communication networks will be recorded with the prior consent of all parties or will have automatic tone warnings ("beep tones"). Telephone conversations over NRC emergency communications networks will not have automatic tone warnings, but all persons having access to these networks will be informed that recordings are made of all conversations.

Federal Communications Commission Memorandum Opinion and Order in the Matter of Use of Recording Devices with Telephone Service (Docket No. 20840, May 18, 1981) specifically exempts the NRC Operations Center from the requirement to utilize beep tones "where the recording equipment is used at the Operations Center of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to record conversations involving or relating to nuclear emergencies."  
(Enclosure 2)

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