

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

July 25, 1994

The Honorable Robert C. Byrd United States Senate Washington, DC 20510-6025

Dear Senator Byrd:

I am responding to your letter of June 30, 1994 to Dennis Rathbun,
Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, concerning a request by Donald
Carson, Administrator of the National Hazmat Program, for a comprehensive
certification process for heavy equipment operators who perform hazardous
materials cleanup. The enclosed response to Frank Hanley (Enclosure 1),
General President of the International Union of Operating Engineers, addresses
Mr. Carson's concern. For completeness, I have also enclosed a copy of Mr.
Hanley's letter (Enclosure 2) to Chairman Selin. I trust that this reply
responds to your constituent's concern.

Sincerely,

James M. Taxfor Executive Director for Operations

Enclosures:

Ltr. from Bernero to Hanley
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