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July 26, 1994

The Honorable Joseph Lieberman, Chairman
Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Regulation
Committee on Environment and Public Works
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

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These amendments are necessary to ensure that security personnel are capable of defending their facilities against a group of individuals possessing the capabilities which the NRC ascribes to the design basis threat. Presently, two licensees will be affected by these proposed amendments.

Sincerely,

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Dennis K. Rathbun, Director
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cc: Senator Alan K. Simpson

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Committee on Natural Resources
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