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Mr. Carlton C. Kammerer, Director
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The United States Nuclear Regulatory
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1717 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20555

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Dear Mr. Kammerer:

With regard to our previous correspondence concerning the proposed schedule of revised fees, I am enclosing a copy of an additional letter I have received from Walter P. Peeples on this issue.

I would appreciate your thorough review of these additional concerns, and any pertinent information you could provide would be helpful.

Thank you for your assistance, and I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Sincerely,

Lloyd Bentsen
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Enclosure

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February 15, 1983

The Honorable Lloyd Bentsen
United States Senator
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Bentsen:

I am in receipt of your letter and a copy of Mr. Sauermoon or Mr. Kammerer's answer. As usual it does not address the issue. I am clear on what the law states but I question whether we have ignored legislative intent and now granted the privilege of basic legal interpretation to certain members of the Federal Bureaucracy.

My complaint to you was that the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission forces specification of suppliers while forcing suppliers to gain approval on items supplied. These items are approved by the U.S. NRC or their reciprocals, the agreement states, for use in specific equipment. Each supplier is assigned a number of assigns this number by model to be used in that specific piece of equipment. Since the NRC and agreement states require that a user specifically state the supplier and his model number on a license and if any modification, that is change of supplier or model number, will be charged a fee for a license amendment that in essence NRC is practicing restraint of trade.

We feel strongly that they do not have this right. It has been going on for years at \$45.00 as evidenced by the letter from the above gentlemen but now they propose to raise the fee to \$170.00 for oil well logging and \$230.00 for industrial radiography. We supplied to you in our original letter a copy of a U.S. NRC license clearly pointing out the problem.

I must assume that there is some question by the NRC which will return a letter to a U.S. Senator without properly signing the letter.

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As one of your supporters, a constituent, and a believer in what you stand for, I cannot believe that you accept this answer.

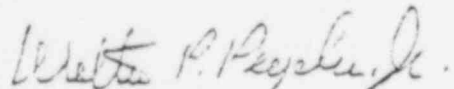
I further feel that the Congress should be held accountable for their handiwork. That is when a federal bureaucracy is created that a congressional oversight committee carefully scrutinizes through joint industry and bureaucracy hearings their handiwork.

I do not wish to sound antagonistic or impertinent. I believe in calling a diamond, a diamond and I feel as a champion of small business that you will recognize both the unfairness and the destruction by the bureaucracy of the mom and pop bureaucrats are now out of hand and somehow must recognize that our own federal government is the largest inhibitor to the growth of our economy.

I am therefore compelled to request an answer related to my original complaint.

As usual I appreciate your prompt handling of my request.

Very truly yours,



Walter P. Peeples, Jr.
President

cc: Walter G. Hall

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