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The Honorable Ferdinand Runco
Mayor
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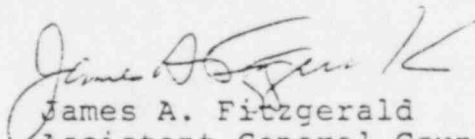
Dear Mayor Runco:

I have been asked by Chairman Palladino to respond to your letter of April 6, 1983, concerning offsite emergency planning at the Shoreham Nuclear Power Station.

As I am sure you are aware, on April 20, the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board conducting the operating license proceeding for the Shoreham facility issued an order denying Suffolk County's motion to terminate. On the basis of an extensive analysis of the applicable statutory and regulatory standards, the Licensing Board concluded that in the absence of a State- and local government-approved offsite emergency plan, the agency could consider a plan submitted by a utility. By order dated May 12, a copy of which is enclosed, the Commission endorsed the Licensing Board's determination in this regard and indicated that the Board should proceed to consider any utility plan submitted in line with the schedule established in its April 20 order. As the Commission's order points out, the utility will bear the burden of demonstrating that its plan meets all applicable regulatory standards.

Since the issue of the adequacy of any utility plan is now pending before the Licensing Board, it would be inappropriate for the Commission to comment on that matter. Be assured, however that the Commission will continue to monitor the Shoreham proceeding closely.

Sincerely,


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