



UNITED STATES  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

The Honorable Richard L. Ottinger, Chairman  
Subcommittee on Energy Conservation and Power  
Committee on Energy and Commerce  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The enclosed amendment to the Commission's rules in 10 CFR Part 55 has been transmitted to the Office of the Federal Register for publication. In keeping with our regionalization program this amendment assigns the authority and responsibility for licensing of nuclear power plant operators and senior operators located in Region I to the Regional Administrator in Region I. A final rulemaking published December 22, 1982 (47 FR 56984), reflected assignment of this same authority and responsibility to the Administrators of Regions II and III. Also enclosed is a copy of the Public Announcement issued by NRC.

Because this is a minor procedural amendment intended to inform licensees and the public of current NRC practices and organization, the notice and comment provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. 553) do not apply and the amendment is issued as a final rule effective upon publication.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "HR Denton".

Harold R. Denton, Director  
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Enclosures:

1. Federal Register Notice
2. Public Announcement

cc: Representative Carlos Moorhead