



DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY
Nuclear Reactor Facility

IRVINE, CALIFORNIA 92717

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Ref: Docket 50-326

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission,
Cecil O. Thomas, Chief
Standardization and Special Projects Branch,
Division of Licensing,
Washington, D.C. 20555

Gentlemen:

Re: Proposed UCI research reactor emergency plan.

We are in receipt of your letter dated June 29th, 1984 and have been examining the questions raised by your staff. Certain of these require rather extensive discussions with personnel beyond the immediate reactor staff (such as Campus Police personnel). Unfortunately, during the summer period since this communication arrived, it has been difficult to schedule the necessary meetings. The situation was made worse by the temporary reassignment of several key individuals to assist at our sister campus, UCLA, for the period of the Olympic games!

I wish, therefore, to ask for an extension of the time limitation placed by your letter (60 days), presumably expiring on August 27th.

We would hope to have our response at least ready for discussion with your staff during the next four (4) weeks, and would hope to have final resolution within a further month. I would like to request a formal extension of 60 days so that we would carry into our regular term (starting Oct 1st) in case we need high level approval for certain policy changes. Since we believe that we are currently operating an adequate emergency plan by former standards, and with several portions of the new plan already in place under the " improvement " guideline, we do not feel that this extension of time will jeopardize in any way the health and safety of either the public or the staff of the facility.

During the extended period we will do all that we can to see that this matter is expedited in advance of the new proposed deadline (October 26th).

Sincerely,

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