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Mrs. Elaine B. Graham  
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Dear Mrs. Graham:

We are in receipt of your letters of July 8 (addressed to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission) and August 6, 1984 (addressed to Judge Lawrence Brenner). Since the Limerick proceeding is now in the evidentiary stages of hearing before the Licensing Board which Judge Brenner chairs, he has asked me to respond since judges are not permitted to discuss cases they are currently hearing. Please forgive my delay in responding.

Your letters express concerns about the various safety, construction and emergency planning procedures at Limerick. So that your concerns may be known, I have had copies of your letters, together with this response, served upon the parties to this proceeding. If you wish, you may feel free to contact the following legal counsel for the Applicant, NRC Staff, and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) indicated below.

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We recognize, Mrs. Graham, that telling you that your letter has been formally docketed and served on the parties to the Limerick proceeding probably does not go very far in reassuring you that your concerns are going to be resolved in the NRC licensing process before any decision is made about whether Limerick should be licensed. Congress has passed laws, however, both concluding that nuclear power plants may be operated safely and empowering the NRC to license plants which meet Federal requirements. All that I can promise you is that Limerick will only be licensed if the NRC finds that the plant and its emergency plans meet those Federal requirements.

Very truly yours,

*Valarie M. Lane*

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Secretary to Judge Lawrence Brenner

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Graham letters to all parties.