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The Secretary  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, DC 20555  
ATTN: Docketing and Service Branch

Subject: Indian Point 3 Nuclear Power Plant  
Docket No. 50-286  
James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant  
Docket No. 50-332  
Proposed Rule on Receipt of Byproduct  
and Special Nuclear Material

Reference: Federal Register Notice 57 FR 15034 dated  
April 24, 1992.

Dear Sir:

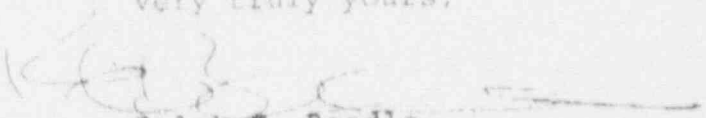
In the referenced Federal Register Notice, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission proposed to amend its regulations in 10 CFR 50.54 governing the 'Conditions of licenses' for production and utilization facilities. The proposed rule would allow a reactor licensee to receive returned byproduct and special nuclear material after the waste has been sent offsite to be reduced in volume by compaction or incineration.

The New York Power Authority strongly endorses the proposed rule and urges the Commission to adopt this rule as a final rule. This rule would eliminate the need for licensees to file amendments to their licenses for receiving low-level radioactive waste (LLRW) returned from the processors. It would also allow the operating nuclear plants to continue to utilize offsite volume reduction services if they are denied access to operating disposal facilities. Volume reduction is essential to extend the life of disposal sites and to optimize the use of interim onsite storage.

This rule would also ensure that the licensee will receive only self-generated LLRW that is produced by operating its reactor(s).

Should you or your staff have any questions, please contact Mr. P. Kokolakis.

Very truly yours,



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