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Docket No. 50-293

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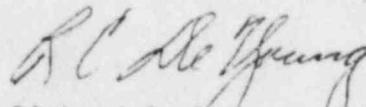
Dear Mr. Ernst:

On July 20, 1983, you filed a petition pursuant to 10 CFR 2.206 on behalf of the Massachusetts Public Interest Research Group (MASSPIRG) requesting that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission take certain actions to remedy alleged serious deficiencies in the offsite emergency response plans for the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station. On February 27, 1984, I issued an "Interim Director's Decision Under 10 CFR 2.206" examining a number of issues raised in your petition and denying your request with respect to those issues.

I noted in that decision that a portion of your petition was being deferred. Your concerns regarding the Evacuation Time Estimates (ETEs) for the Pilgrim facility were still under consideration. I informed you that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) had been formally requested to consider potential bottlenecks located at the intersections of Route 128 with Route 3 and the Sagamore Bridge with Route 3 which might impede effective evacuation of the plume exposure pathway Emergency Planning Zone. I noted that, upon completion of FEMA's evaluation, I would determine whether further action is appropriate and inform you of my decision at that time. The FEMA analysis has now been completed and forwarded to the NRC. Based on the analysis conducted by FEMA and reviewed by the NRC, the traffic management issues identified have been satisfactorily resolved.

For the reasons set forth in the enclosed "Final Director's Decision Under 10 CFR 2.206," that portion of your petition which had been earlier deferred is now denied. A copy of the enclosed decision will be referred to the Secretary for the Commission's review in accordance with 10 CFR 2.206(c).

Sincerely,



Richard C. DeYoung, Director
Office of Inspection and Enforcement

Enclosure:

1. Final Director's Decision
2. Federal Register Notice

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