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Mr. J. W. Hampton, Chairman
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SUBJECT: PRIORITIZATION OF TOPICAL REPORTS SUBMITTED FOR REVIEW TO THE
OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION

Dear Mr. Hampton:

In order to better allocate available resources within the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, the Generic Issues and Environmental Projects Branch is requesting each of the Owners Group and NSSS vendors to prioritize any topical reports they have submitted to NRC for review and approval. Your prioritization should identify those reports which are deemed to be a high priority and for which the NRC should focus its resources to complete the review. Also, you should identify those reports which may be deferred to a later date or which may be dropped from NRC review in favor of concentrating on higher priority reports. Your prioritization should take into account report reviews which are nearing completion and for which a relatively small amount of additional review is needed to complete the review.

Please provide your prioritization of topical reports to Joseph Birmingham, Project Manager for the B&W Owners Group, by October 4, 1996. A copy should be sent to the Document Control Desk for filing and distribution purposes.

If you have any questions regarding this matter please contact Mr. Birmingham by phone 301/415-2829 or email jlb4@nrc.gov. Your cooperation in this effort is appreciated and will help ensure that NRC review resources are focused on those reports you deem to be most important.

Sincerely,
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