

UNITED STATES CLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

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David Dingell

The Honorable John D. Dingell, Chairman Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations Committee on Energy and Commerce United States House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

On Wednesday, October 23, an expurgated version of the enclosed report and related materials was hand delivered to Mr. Peter Stockton of the Subcommittee staff at his request. This information concerns an investigation of the regulatory performance of NRC's Region II Office as it relates to the Grand Gulf nuclear power station.

The expurgated version originated as a result of the Commission's review to determine what information should be released under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Deleted from this version are the names of non-executive personnel whose cooperation was key to achieving the investigation results. Some of these individuals have neither the expectation nor the desire to find their identities spotlighted. In performing the FOIA review, it was decided that it was not inconsistent with other dictates of the public interest to give consideration to the privacy interests of these individuals. In addition, the FOIA review determined that certain portions of predecisional advice provided to the Commission by its Office of Inspector and Auditor should be withheld. We believe that release of these opinions and recommendations would be detrimental to the quality of the agency's decisional process. Release of such material would hinder the Commission's ability in the future to receive frank and candid opinions and recommendations from its employees.

At the request of your staff, we are forwarding the unexpurgated version to you. For the reasons stated above, the Commission requests that you preserve the confidentiality of the unexpurgated version and restrict its use to the Members and staff of the Subcommittee.

Sincerely,

Carlton Kammerer, Director

Office of Congressional Affairs

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cc: The Honorable James T. Broyhill

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