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Dear Mr. Chilk:

The Minnesota Department of Health wishes to make the following comments in response to your proposed policy statement on Commission cooperation with states at commercial nuclear power plants, which appeared in the June 13, 1988 Federal Register.

The Department would welcome the opportunity to cooperate more closely with the Commission in its regulatory activities of commercial nuclear power plants. We see this as an opportunity to improve our working relationship with the Commission, educate ourselves about the day-to-day activities of your licensee and provide an avenue for making your licensee aware that the State may have concerns in related areas.

Areas of inspection in which we are particularly interested include low-level waste preparation prior to shipment, spent fuel rod storage, environmental monitoring, decontamination procedures and equipment, emission control equipment and emission inventory records, routes of discharges, employee radiation exposure control, and emergency equipment and systems.

If this policy is adopted, Minnesota intends to seek a Memorandum of Understanding with the Commission in order to participate in NRC inspections.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on your policy statement. If you need additional information, please contact Raymond W. Thron, Ph.D., P.E., State Liaison Officer, at 612/623-5320, or Ms. Alice T. Dolezal Hennigan, Chief, Section of Radiation Control, at 612/623-5351.

Sincerely yours,

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