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Mr. David L. Meyer Chief, Rules Review and Directives Branch Mail Stop T-6 D69 Office of Administration United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

Dear Sir:

Pickens County Emergency Preparedness Agency is responsible for the off-site planning and coordination of the 10-mile EPZ affected by the Oconee Nuclear Station.

We have reviewed the Draft NUREG-1633, "Assessment of the Use of Potassium Iodide (KI) as a Protective Action During Severe Reactor Accidents."

Our Emergency Plans call for Evacuation of the population of the EPZ in a timely fashion to prevent exposure to radiation from the Oconee Nuclear Station. We do not feel issuing potassium iodide to the general public would add any measure of safety. In fact, maintaining, administering and record keeping would be a night-mare to a local operation.

urrently, we do have plans to issue potassium iodide to our emergency workers who would be required to provide services within the 10-mile EPZ for an extended period of time.

If there are any questions regarding my comments, contact me at 864-898-5945.

Sincerely,

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