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Dear Mr. Guild:

This letter is in reference to the document you requested during Mr. Keshishian's Deposition of March 11, 1986. The document is entitled "Regional Construction Inspection Program Assessment - Braidwood (R-III)" and relates to assessment of implementation of the NRC inspection program by Region III at Braidwood Station. I have determined that the document does exist and have reviewed its contents. As discussed below, the Staff maintains its objection to the production of this document.

As you are aware, requests for Staff records and documents are governed by 10 C.F.R. § 2.744 of the Commission's regulations. Pursuant to that section, it is necessary for you to demonstrate the relevance of the document. As is indicated in the title, this document relates to the conduct of regional inspection activities at Braidwood, rather than to the Licensee's quality assurance program. The region's performance is not an issue in controversy in this proceeding. After reviewing this document the Staff has determined that it is not relevant to your contention. Further, production of his document will play no role in reaching a proper decision in this proceeding. As indicated above, the region's performance is not an issue in controversy in this proceeding and thus, this document would have no bearing on the resolution of your quality assurance contention. For these reasons, the Staff maintains its objection, stated by Staff Counsel during the deposition, and declines to make the above-entitled document available.

Sincerely,

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