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Mr. David F. Malaguti
Chairman, Board of Selectmen
Town of Plymouth
11 Lincoln Street
Plymouth, MA 02360

Dear Mr. Malaguti:

This is in response to your September 2, 1987 letter to Chairman Zech recommending that the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station not be allowed to restart until an effective radiological emergency response plan for the Town of Plymouth is in place. You noted that the Radiological Emergency Response Plan (RERP) for the Town of Plymouth was inadequate, but is under intense revision.

On August 6, 1987, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) issued to the NRC a report on the status of offsite emergency response plans for the Pilgrim plant. The report listed six specific areas of concern in the Massachusetts emergency plans for the Pilgrim 10-mile emergency planning zone. Subsequent to that report, I understand that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, local governments within the 10-mile emergency planning zone, and the two communities that have emergency reception centers, with the assistance of the Boston Edison Company, are at present engaged in improving their emergency preparedness programs. These improvements include revision of the emergency plans of the local governments including the Town of Plymouth, revision of the Massachusetts Civil Defense Agency Areas II plan as well as the Commonwealth's State-wide plan, the development of revised procedures, the development and implementation of training programs for officials and emergency personnel, and the upgrading of Emergency Operating Centers. In addition, Boston Edison is providing professional planners to assist local governments and the Commonwealth in upgrading their plans and in developing a new training program for offsite emergency response personnel. Some training has been conducted to date and will continue after the new training program has been developed.

NRC will not permit Pilgrim to resume operation until we determine that the health and safety of the public can be protected. The determination whether to restart the Pilgrim plant will involve consideration of each of the emergency planning issues identified by FEMA. The quality of offsite emergency preparedness at the Pilgrim plant will depend heavily on how well the Commonwealth of Massachusetts is able to correct the deficiencies noted in the FEMA report.

Sincerely,

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Typed and signed by
Thomas E. Murley

Thomas E. Murley, Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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DAVID F. MALAGUTI
TOWN OF PLYMOUTH (MA) BOARD OF SELECTMEN

TO:

CHAIRMAN ZECH

FOR SIGNATURE OF:

** GREEN **

SECY NO: 1111

MURLEY

DESC:

ROUTING:

RECOMMENDS THAT PILGRIM NOT BE PERMITTED TO
RESTART WITHOUT AN EFFECTIVE EMERGENCY RESPONSE
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RUSSELL, RI
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BY October 9, 1987

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AUTHOR: D.F. Malaguti
AFFILIATION: MA (MASSACHUSETTS)
LETTER DATE: Sep 2 87 FILE CODE: ID&R-5 Pilgrim
SUBJECT: Recommends that the Pilgrim power station not be
permitted to restart without an effective tested
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