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We would appreciate your serious and positive consideration of this request and if you have any questions regarding this letter,

Sincerely,

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cc: New England Radiation Control Program Directors Duncan White, NRC/Region I Stan Marshall, Chairman, OAS, Nevada

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Dear Mr. Hallisey:

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The current G-205 courses for fiscal year 1998 have been scheduled and are currently sized to meet NRC's training needs, which are primarily based on the reactor regulatory program. The training budget does not contain any additional funds for presentation of an additional G-205 course. It is also unlikely that future funding would be available. Current budget projections support training for NRC personnel only.

If the New England States wish to hire the NRC contract to present the course for them with a material focus to the course, they may wish to contact the contractor directly and arrange for a course. The contractor is Conger and Elsea and their tex second number is 770-926-1131.

If you have any questions on this letter, please call me at 301-415-3340 or Dennis Sollenberger at 301-415-2819.

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Original Signed By RICHARD L. BANGART Richard L. Bangart, Director Office of State Programs

CC: Roland Fletcher, Chairman, OAS

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I concur in the memo and have no other comments.

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