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SUBJECT: Exercise Report of the July 22, 1987, Exercise of the
Iowa and Nebraska Offsite Radiological Emergency
Preparedness Plans for the Fort Calhoun Nuclear Station.

This is to transmit a copy of the Exercise Report of the July 22, 1987, joint exercise of the offsite radiological emergency preparedness plans for the Fort Calhoun Nuclear Station, located in Blair, Washington County, Nebraska. This was a joint exercise for the States of Iowa and Nebraska (full participation); Harrison and Pottawattamie counties in Iowa; Sarpy and Washington counties in Nebraska; and, the Omaha Public Power District. The counties are impacted by the Fort Calhoun plume exposure 10-mile Emergency Planning Zone (EPZ). The final report dated September 24, 1987, was prepared by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region VII.

In the July 22, 1987, exercise there was one deficiency observed. It was a failure to alert all residents in the Washington County portion of the EPZ within 15 minutes. The State of Nebraska was notified in writing on July 31, 1987, that it was required to develop a standard operating procedure (SOP) for the sounding of sirens and train the siren operator in the SOP within thirty days. FEMA Region VII acknowledged to Nebraska that the State had complied with this requirement on September 3, 1987.

Based on the results of the exercise activity, it is FEMA's view that there was nothing that adversely impacted the FEMA approval in December 1984 for Nebraska and in May 1987 for Iowa of their offsite radiological emergency preparedness plans site-specific to the Fort Calhoun Nuclear Station under 44 CFR 350. Therefore, FEMA continues to find that there is reasonable assurance that offsite preparedness is adequate to protect the public health and safety in the Fort Calhoun EPZ.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 646-2871.

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