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and Decommissioning
Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Dear Mr. Glenn:

Enclosed is the February 1989 monthly report for FIN A1763, "Evaluation, Validation, Verification, and Documentation of the IMPACTS-BRC Computer Code." If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at (FTS) 844-8368 or Bill O'Neal at (FTS) 846-7079.

Sincerely,

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Computer Code.

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PROJECT OBJECTIVES

To validate, verify, document and make code changes as necessary so as to provide the NRC with a documented and defensible version of IMPACTS-BRC for subsequent use in BRC petitions.

ACTIVITIES DURING FEBRUARY 1988

The activities during February consisted of the following:

- (1) We finally received (March 14) the EPRI report pertaining to their critical assessment of IMPACTS-BRC. We have initiated a review of the findings. The report will be a valuable aid in the code revision process. The report should also add a degree of creditability to the code. I will mail you a copy of the report.
- (2) Work is continuing in the development of a data entry preprocessor for the code. We hope to have a working version within a couple of weeks. We will test the preprocessor using Version 1 of the code. Modification to the code itself will be done after we are assured the preprocessor is working correctly.
- (3) I received the package including the NRC manual chapters, computer software policy, and other BRC materials. They will be of value in the documentation process.
- (4) A letter was drafted (March 9) to clarify SNLA's position relating to future proposed work assignments relating to BRC issues. Five task were identified along with an estimate of time commitment and funding levels.