



UNITED STATES  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON REACTOR SAFEGUARDS  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

May 6, 1980

Mr. William J. Dircks  
Acting Executive Director for Operations  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, DC 20555

SUBJECT: ACRS ACTION ON REGULATORY GUIDES

Dear Mr. Dircks:

During its 241st meeting, May 1-3, 1980, the ACRS concurred in the regulatory position of Regulatory Guide 1.144, Revision 1, "Auditing of Quality Assurance Programs for Nuclear Power Plants".

During this meeting, the Committee also discussed the appropriateness of the NRC Staff's procedure for assigning specific identification numbers to proposed Regulatory Guides. During the April 9, 1980 and April 30, 1980 Regulatory Activities Subcommittee meetings, the NRC Staff indicated that a specific identification number will not be assigned to a proposed Regulatory Guide until just prior to its issuance for industry use. The ACRS objects to this procedure, since it believes that this method of assigning numbers to proposed Regulatory Guides will make it exceedingly difficult to maintain complete and adequate records of the history and development of Regulatory Guides. The ACRS recommends strongly that the NRC Staff assign specific identification numbers to proposed Regulatory Guides prior to submitting them to the ACRS for review.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Milton S. Plesset".

Milton S. Plesset  
Chairman

cc: H. Denton, NRR  
R. Minogue, OSD  
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