ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON REACTOR SAFEGUARDS

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

July 15, 1975

Honorable John O. Pastore Chairman Joint Committee on Atomic Energy Congress of the United States Washington, D. C. 20510

RE: NRC PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE SITING AND LICENSING PROVISIONS OF THE ATOMIC ENERGY ACT OF 1954, AS AMENDED (S. 1717 AND H. R. 7002, IDENTICAL)

Dear Senator Pastore:

The ACRS again affirms its support for the proposed change in Subsection 182 b. of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, which provides, "That unless the Commission specifically requests a review and report on an application or portion thereof, the Committee may dispense with such review and report by notifying the Commission in writing that review by the Committee is not warranted."

The Committee is unanimous in its view of the need for this change, last stated in a report to Chairman Anders dated January 21, 1975. A copy of this report is attached.

Sincerely yours,

UNGRA

W. Kerr Chairman

Attachment: [*] ACRS Letter to W. A. Anders dated January 21, 1975, w/o atts.

cc: W. A. Anders, Chairman, NRC

[*] See pages 2747-2748, Volume V