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SECY will coordinate with Commission regarding
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Commissioners Technical Staff agree to a meeting.

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NOTE: SECY WILL COORDINATE W/COMMISSION REGARDING RELEASE OF SECY 00-0137 AND WHETHER THE COMMISSIONERS TECHNICAL STAFF AGREE TO A MEETNG.....

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Honorable Richard A. Meserve, Chairman
US Nuclear Regulatory Commission
11555 Rockville Pike
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RE: Seaman Nuclear Corporation
SECY-00-0137

Chairman Meserve:

In the fall of 1998, NRC staff reviewed and approved a Seaman Nuclear Corporation (Seaman) portable moisture density gauge for distribution to persons Generally Licensed. The staff notified the Commission of its intent to issue a license authorizing distribution to persons Generally Licensed. The Commission disapproved plans to issue a license until additional information was obtained. This information was to be obtained by consulting with Agreement States and from a Material Risk Study that was being written by the NRC staff.

In January of this year, Seaman submitted comments on the results of the consultations with Agreement States and on the draft of the Material Risk Study, NUREG/CR-6642. A careful review of the States comments and NUREG/CR-6642 showed that there were no substantive health and safety issues to alter the NRC plan to issue a license authorizing distribution of the Seaman moisture density gauge to persons Generally Licensed.

The NRC staff has prepared an Information Paper for the Commission, SECY-00-0137. We believe that this Paper will have a substantial impact upon Seaman's business. Therefore, Seaman is requesting a copy of SECY-00-0137 and that Seaman be given the opportunity to review and comment on it before action that could effect Seaman is taken. Seaman is also requesting an opportunity

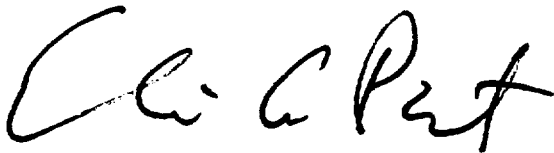
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to meet with and discuss the issues surrounding the distribution of portable moisture density gauges with appropriate members of NRC staff and the Commissioner's technical staff.

Please advise Seaman of when it will be given the opportunity to review and comment on SECY-00-0137 and the procedures to be followed in scheduling meetings with staff. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me at 847-965-1999.

Sincerely,



Eli A. Port, CHP, CIH, P.E.

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