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Mr. Arne F. Olsen, Licensing Officer
BWX Technologies, Inc.
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Dear Mr. Olsen:

Enclosed are copies of two Federal Register notices dated October 13, 1999 and October 7, 1999, both entitled Respiratory Protection and Controls to Restrict Internal Exposures. Also enclosed is a copy of Revision 1 to Regulatory Guide 8.15, "Acceptable Programs for Respiratory Protection.

You provided comments on the proposed rule and draft regulatory guide that were very useful to the NRC staff in the development of the final rule change and guidance. The NRC considers comment from knowledgeable members of the public to be an essential input to its regulatory activities.

I personally want to thank you for your very useful insights and assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Alan K. Roecklein".

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