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**Subject: "Notice of Intent to Prepare a Draft Supplement to the Generic Environmental Impact Statement on Decommissioning of Nuclear Facilities and to Hold Public Meetings for the Purpose of Scoping and to Solicit Public Input into the Process", 65 Federal Register No. 50, page 13797 (March 14, 2000).**

Gentlemen:

In the subject Federal Register Notice, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) solicited comments on the proposal to supplement the Generic Environmental Impact Statement (GEIS) on Decommissioning of Nuclear Facilities, NUREG-0586, August 1988. At the workshop in San Francisco on June 21, 2000, representatives of the NRC stated that the scope of the proposed supplement would be limited to those sections of NUREG-0586 that dealt with nuclear power reactors.

For the last twelve years, NUREG-0586 has demonstrated its effectiveness as a generic environmental assessment of decommissioning activities at nuclear facilities. We urge the NRC to limit the scope of the supplement to the GEIS to those changes that are scientifically supportable. NUREG-0586 documents a comprehensive evaluation of the environmental impacts associated with decommissioning of nuclear facilities. The scope of the proposed supplement for nuclear power reactors should be limited to those issues that reflect significant new data or significant changes in decommissioning techniques.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



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