

July 7, 1998

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If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (301) 415-8518.

Sincerely,

original /s/ by

Mark S. Delligatti, Senior Project Manager
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Since this new transportation route is not in any docketed submittal and has not been specified in your LA or ER, it cannot be considered in the development of the EIS for this facility. Any delay in providing written notice to the Commission of this change and in amending the appropriate documents could result in unnecessary expenditure of staff resources in reviewing your application as well as in schedular delays in the development of the EIS and the overall completion of the licensing process. Accordingly, please inform the staff in writing of your plans and schedule for formal notification of these changes to your LA and ER, within the next two weeks.

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