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In the Matter of
Private Fuel Storage, L.L.C.
(Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation)
Docket No. 72-22-ISFSI

Dear Ms. Chancellor:

By letter dated October 17, 2001, I transmitted to you a copy of SECY-01-0178, "Modified Rulemaking Plan: 10 CFR Part 72 -- "Geological and Seismological Characteristics For Siting and Design of Dry Cask Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installations," dated September 26, 2001.

Enclosed herewith please find a copy of a Staff Requirements Memorandum ("SRM"), issued on November 19, 2001, concerning SECY-01-0178. This document is being produced in response to the "State of Utah's Twelfth Set of Discovery Requests Directed to the NRC Staff," dated September 18, 2001, to which the NRC Staff responded on October 3, 2001.

Sincerely,

/RA/

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Enclosure: As stated
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MEMORANDUM TO: William D. Travers
Executive Director for Operations

FROM: Annette L. Vietti-Cook, Secretary **/RA/**

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - SECY-01-0178 - MODIFIED
RULEMAKING PLAN: 10 CFR PART 72 -- "GEOLOGICAL AND
SEISMOLOGICAL CHARACTERISTICS FOR SITING AND DESIGN
OF DRY CASK INDEPENDENT SPENT FUEL STORAGE
INSTALLATIONS"

This is to advise you that the Commission has not objected to the staff's plan to revise the approved rulemaking plan for the geological and seismological characteristics for the siting and design of dry cask independent spent fuel storage installations (10 CFR Part 72), subject to the comments provided below.

Central to this rulemaking is the determination of the mean annual exceedance probability of an earthquake at a proposed ISFSI. The proposed rule should solicit comment on a range of probability of exceedance levels from 5.0E-04 through 1.0E-04. Staff should undertake further analysis to support a specific proposal.

The proposed rule should be submitted to the Commission for review prior to publication.
(EDO) (SECY Suspense: 3/22/02)

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