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Dear Mr. Schaefer:

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The NRC has carefully reviewed your request and has concluded that the information provided in your correspondence does not meet the Commission's criteria for a petition for rulemaking under 10 CFR 2.802(c).² Specifically, your correspondence does not state clearly and concisely your grounds for and interest in the action requested, as required by 10 CFR 2.802(c)(2).

If you wish the NRC to consider your request that the agency amend its regulations, you must supplement your correspondence of July 20, 2015, with information that addresses the deficiency described in the prior paragraph. If you are submitting this request on behalf of an organization, you should provide information about your organization and your authority for submitting the request on behalf of such organization. This information must be received by the NRC within 90 days of the date of this letter or your request will not be docketed as a petition for rulemaking.

If you have any questions, please contact Anthony de Jesus, Agency 2.802 Petition Coordinator, by phone at 301-415-1106 or (toll-free) at 1-800-368-5642, or by e-mail to Anthony.DeJesus@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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² See <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/granule/CFR-2014-title10-vol1/CFR-2014-title10-vol1-sec2-802>.

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