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SUBJECT: Advises that first phase of samplings, re Reg Guide 4.8, have been completed. Sampling will be suspended until 1 yr prior to fuel load. Second phase will then begin.

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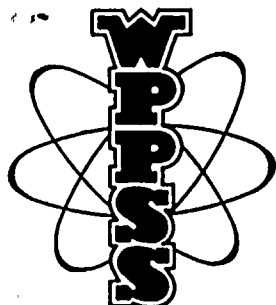
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May 12, 1980

Mr. B. Joe Youngblood, Chief  
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Dear Mr. Youngblood:

Subject: Temporary Suspension of the Preoperational  
Radiological Monitoring Program for WNP-2

- References: 1) U.S. NRC Regulatory Guide 4.8, "Environmental  
Technical Specifications for Nuclear Power Plants"  
2) U.S. NRC Branch Technical Position on U.S. NRC  
Regulatory Guide 4.8, dated November 1979

Due to announced schedule slippages for fuel load of WNP-2 at Hanford (now set for mid 1982), various pertinent preoperational monitoring and baseline study requirements and commitments have been reviewed. The Preoperational Radiological Monitoring Program identified in the referenced documents requires that certain items be collected for two (2) years prior to fuel load ("phase one") while others are collected for periods of six (6) months or one (1) year.

The first phase of samplings have now been conducted for two years and we have concluded that the regulatory requirements set forth pertaining to this program have been met. It is, therefore, our intent to suspend sampling until one year prior to fuel load. At that time, they will be re-started along with the second phase of studies.

Should you have any questions, please contact Mr. Mark Miller on extension 5576.

Sincerely,

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