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MEMORANDUM FOR: Edward L. Jordan
Director
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and Engineering Response
Office of Inspection and Enforcement
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission

FROM: Richard W. Krimm
Richard W. Krimm
Assistant Associate Director
Office of Natural and Technological
Hazards Programs

SUBJECT: Exercise Report of the September 18, 1986, Exercise
of the Washington Offsite Radiological Emergency
Preparedness Plans for the WNP-2 Nuclear Power Plant.

This is to transmit a copy of the Exercise Report of the September 18, 1986, joint exercise of the offsite radiological emergency preparedness plans for the WNP-2 Nuclear Power Plant, Richland, Washington (Benton/Franklin Counties, Washington). This was a joint, full participation exercise for the State of Washington and the Benton/Franklin Counties. These two counties are impacted by the WNP-2 plume exposure 10-mile Emergency Planning Zone (EPZ). The report dated December 1986, was prepared by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region X.

In the September 18, 1986, exercise there were six exercise deficiencies and one plan inadequacy observed. While Region X is not requiring a drill on the plan inadequacy it is considered to be serious enough to require prompt correction. The milestones for remedying the deficiencies and the plan inadequacy will be found on page 95 of the exercise report. The recommendations for corrective actions have been discussed with the exercise participants and preliminary concurrence in the FEMA evaluation and recommendations has been indicated by all response agencies. A copy of this report will be forwarded to these response agencies at the same time it is transmitted to your office.

Based on the deficiencies and an analysis of the schedule of corrective actions, we are withholding a finding of reasonable assurance that the public health and safety can be protected pending the results of the drills scheduled to remedy the deficiencies found in the September 18, 1986 WNP-2 exercise. We will provide updates on the results of the drills after they are completed; if they are successful we will once again provide a finding of reasonable assurance that the public health and safety can be protected in the event of radiological accident at the plant.

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If you have any questions please contact Mr. Robert S. Wilkerson at
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December 18, 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR: ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR, STATE & LOCAL PROGRAMS & SUPPORT
Attention: Kenneth Green, SL-NT-TH

FROM: Wm. H. Mayer
Regional Director

Wm H. Mayer

SUBJECT: WNP-2 Nuclear Power Plant Exercise held September 18, 1986

In accordance with the policies and particulars established in the SLPS memorandum of August 5, 1983, 44 CFR 350.9, and Guidance Memorandums EX-1 and PR-1, attached are three copies of FEMA RX/RAC's report on the WNP-2 Nuclear Power Plant Exercise that was held on September 18, 1986.

It is the Region's and the RAC's assessment that this exercise provided adequate opportunity to test response capabilities of the various organizations.

It is our position, based upon this evaluation and overall assessment of preparedness issues, that specifically stated deficiencies outlined in this report do require remedial drills.

The recommendations for corrective actions have been discussed with the exercise participants and preliminary concurrence in our evaluation and deficiency recommendations has been indicated by all response agencies and FEMA National. This report includes specific milestones for corrective actions.

In accordance with 44 CFR 350.12, it is the Region's position (on deficiencies) that before we can state that reasonable assurance for the general public's health and safety is afforded, we require review of remedial actions and evaluation of remedial drills. We therefore withhold our assessment. We will advise your office when these items are completed to FEMA RX/RAC's satisfaction.

If there are specific questions, contact Richard W. Donovan of the Natural and Technological Hazards Division staff.

Attachment (3 copies)

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