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Mr. William J. Dircks
Executive Director for Operations
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

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Dear Mr. Dircks:

In accordance with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Rule 44 CFR 350 (proposed), the State of Illinois submitted its plan and associated local plans related to the LaSalle Nuclear Power Station to the Regional Director of FEMA Region , for review and approval. The Regional Director forwarded his evaluation of the Illinois State and local plans to me in accordance with paragraph 350.11 of the proposed Rule. His submission included an evaluation of the exercise conducted December 4, 1980, and a report of the public meeting held on December 5, 1980, to explain the site-specific aspects of the State and local plans. In the latest LaSalle joint exercise conducted on April 14, 1982, it was demonstrated that the remaining outstanding deficiencies were corrected with the exception of the prompt alerting and notification systems.

Based on an overall evaluation, I find and determine that, subject to the condition stated below, the plans and preparedness for offsite protection near the LaSalle Nuclear Power Station are adequate to protect the health and safety of the public and that there is reasonable assurance that the appropriate protective measures can and will be applied offsite in the event of a radiological emergency. The LaSalle Nuclear Power Station has completed installation of a siren system for alerting and notification of the public and it is now in operation. However, the adequacy of this system has not yet been verified according to the Criteria of Appendix 3 of NUREG-0654/FEMA-REP-1, Rev. 1.

Accordingly, I approve the Illinois State and local plans relative to the LaSalle Nuclear Power Station subject to the verification by FEMA of the adequacy of the alerting and notification system.

Sincerely,

Lee M. Thomas
Associate Director
State and Local Programs and Support