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Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Attn: Docketing and Service Branch  
Washington, D.C. 20555

Gentlemen:

Subject: **WNP-2 OPERATING LICENSE NPF-21,  
RESPONSE TO PROPOSED RULE - STANDARDS FOR PROTECTION  
REQUIRED RADIATION; EXTENSION OF IMPLEMENTATION DATE**

On Tuesday, May 19, 1992 the Nuclear Regulatory Commission published (57FR21216) the subject proposed rule. The proposed rule would extend the date by which licensees are required to implement the revised standards for protection against radiation to January 1, 1994.

The Washington Public Power Supply System (Supply System), an U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) licensee, has reviewed the subject document and concurs with the recommendation. The proposed rule would provide NRC licensees additional time to review and implement the regulatory guidance being developed to implement the rules. Additionally, the proposal would establish a uniform implementation date for NRC licensees and Agreement State licensees.

Our agreement with the proposed rule is based on an understanding that regulatory guidance currently being developed will be issued prior to the end of 1992. Should these schedules slip, the NRC should consider the need to further delay the implementation date for the rule.

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Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission

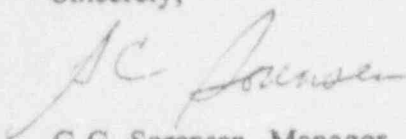
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We have also reviewed comments being submitted on this proposed rule by the Nuclear Management and Resources Council (NUMARC) and support those comments as reflecting our own views.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "G.C. Sorensen", written in a cursive style.

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Regulatory Programs (Mail Drop 280)

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