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Dear Madame or Sir:

USNRC News Releases for the week ending October 2, 1979, contains a press release dated September 28, 1979, and entitled "NRC to Conduct Proceeding to Reassess Confidence in Safe Disposal of Nuclear Wastes." The notice states that the detailed notice, which forms the necessary basis for comparison of a petition for participation, was to be published in the Federal Register "next week." By my reckoning that should have been the first week in October.

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I have read all NRC notices in the FR since September 28, 1979. I find no reference to any such rulemaking proceeding. Because there is a possibility that our university library may be missing an issue or that the notice failed to be published properly but

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The clock is ticking on submission of petitions to participate fully in this rulemaking proceeding. I wish by this letter to preserve the right to participate fully for the Environmental Coalition on Nuclear Power, through our authorized legal representative, Dr. Chauncey Kefford, and myself as Co-Director. Because our financial resources are sorely limited and are stretched beyond elasticity, our participation may deflect somewhat from the financially well-endowed, including the utilities.

Please send us at the above underlined address a copy of "the detailed notice of this rulemaking" immediately or immediately upon its FR publication (or sooner). I will be traveling and unable to answer the FR notice (often up to 10 days late in arrival) with certainty unless you will have the courtesy to respond as quickly as possible.

Thank you for giving prompt attention and response to this request and, in the meanwhile, enrolling our names as behalf of our organization as full participants in the Commission's latest proposed rulemaking on radioactive waste disposal.

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Sincerely,
Judith Kefford
Co-Director

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this letter promptly, as we have often found that such requests go astray.