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Samuel J. Chilk, Secretary  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
1717 H Street, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Secretary Chilk:

I am writing in reference to the Commission's decision to amend its Government in the Sunshine Act regulations. Despite the fact that the Commission has decided to make its new regulation effective prior to obtaining public comment, I understand that comment will subsequently be considered.

As part of this comment process, I am taking this opportunity to formally submit for your consideration documents emanating from the Subcommittee's consideration of this matter. I expect that your review of public comments will include all of the enclosed documents and that you will address and resolve all pertinent views and criticisms. The enclosed documents are: (1) my opening statement at the May 21, 1985 hearing; (2) testimony of public witnesses appearing before the Subcommittee; and, (3) a selection of newspaper editorials.

I continue to believe that the Commission should revoke its new regulation and restore the policy that was successfully used for eight years. The Commission has failed to show adequate cause for a rule change, has misinterpreted the law, and has damaged the agency's credibility. This Commission, whose function is to serve the public, should do the public's business in public. It is not too late to let the sun shine on the Nuclear Regulatory Commission by repealing this misguided regulation.

Sincerely,

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