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Secretary of Commission
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

Attention: Docketing and Service Branch

Re: Licenses and Radiation Safety
Requirements for Well-Logging
Operations (Fed. Register Vol. 50,
No. 67, April 8, 1985)

Dear Sir:

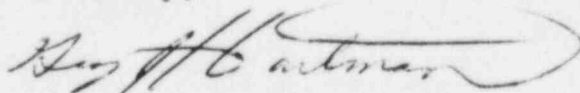
The proposed regulation would severely impact the mineral industry, especially the uranium producing sector. The proposed rules would add still further regulatory burdens to a sector already in the death throghs of extinction brought about by excessive, usually unnecessary and highly mismanaged regulatory bureaucracy, always under the guise of added safety.

In Wyoming alone, the employment in uranium recovery has gone from 5,449 in March 1980 to 671 in April 1985 (Source: Wyoming Mining Association).

If the proposed regulations are adopted, uranium exploration costs will increase due to the added requirements and reduced geological information will result in trying to log through surface casing or drill stem, thus reducing the instrument's sensitivity.

A suggestion is herewith made that the uranium mineral sector be exempted from this regulation.

Sincerely,



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