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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

December 13, 1996

The Honorable Lauch Faircloth, Chairman  
Subcommittee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private  
Property and Nuclear Safety  
Committee on Environment and Public Works  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Enclosed for the information of the subcommittee is a copy of a final rule to be published in the Federal Register that contains amendments to 10 CFR Part 51, "Environmental Protection Regulations for Domestic Licensing and Related Regulatory Functions." This final rule makes minor clarifying and conforming changes and adds language inadvertently omitted from Table B-1 of the rulemaking published June 5, 1996 (61 FR 28476), which established new requirements for the environmental review of applications to renew the operating licenses of nuclear power plants. This final rule also presents an analysis of the comments received and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff responses to the comments requested in the final rule published June 5, 1996. After reviewing the comments received, the NRC has determined that no substantive changes to the final rule are warranted.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda Portner" followed by a small flourish.

Dennis K. Rathbun, Director  
Office of Congressional Affairs

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cc: Senator Bob Graham



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The Honorable Dan Schaefer, Chairman  
Subcommittee on Energy and Power  
Committee on Commerce  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

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*Linda Portner*  
*for*

Dennis K. Rathbun, Director  
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cc: Representative Frank Pallone