



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

December 5, 1996

The Honorable Newt Gingrich
Speaker of the House of
Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

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We have determined that this policy revision is not a "major rule" as defined in 5 U.S.C. 804(2). We have confirmed this determination with the Office of Management and Budget.

This policy revision will become effective when published in the Federal Register.

Sincerely,

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Dennis K. Rathbun, Director
Office of Congressional Affairs

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President of the United
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Washington, DC 20510

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General Counsel
General Accounting Office
Room 7175
441 G St., NW
Washington, DC 20548

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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

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cc w/enclosure:
Senator Bob Graham



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Committee on Commerce
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