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Mr. James B. Martin
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Dear Mr. Martin:

Thank you for your supplemental statement on behalf of the Environmental Defense Fund, Sierra Club, Environmental Policy Institute, and Southwest Research and Information Center. The statement supplemented oral comments made at the Commission's meeting on September 10, 1985.

Your statement emphasizes the need for the NRC to act promptly to address ground-water contamination at licensed mills including adoption of interim rules, to keep the 2 picocurie per square meter per second radon flux limit, and to adopt rules for limiting radon emission when mills are temporarily shut down. You also supported the jurisdictional validity of the EPA standards. These same basic comments were submitted by conservation organizations in written responses to the Commission's proposed rule. In responding to these earlier written comments, the positions advocated in your written supplement have been considered both by the NRC staff and the Commission in the course of the present rulemaking.

Although your supplemental statement has been placed in the docket file for the rulemaking for the first set of conforming changes, it is a very late written comment and has not been specifically listed or individually considered in the Commission's formal response to comments. We thank you for your continued interest in the Commission's rulemaking.

Sincerely,

(Signed) John G. Davis

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