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Re: In the Matter of Finlay Testing Laboratories, Inc.,
Docket No. 30-13435

Dear Mr. Weld:

In a March 4, 1988 pleading from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff in the above referenced matter, a copy of which is attached, the staff indicated that the Department of Justice would provide an update to the Commission on the status of its ongoing criminal investigation of Finlay Testing Laboratories, Inc. On behalf of the Commission, I request such an update, including an estimate of the additional period for which the Justice Department wants administrative action, including discovery, stayed in this proceeding pending completion of its investigation.

So that the Commission can make an expeditious determination on the pending NRC staff application for a stay of discovery in this matter, we would request that this information be provided by close of business on March 11, 1988. The Justice Department's response will be made a part of the public record in this proceeding.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "William C. Parler".

William C. Parler
General Counsel

Attachment: NRC pleading

cc: Parties in Docket No. 30-13435

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