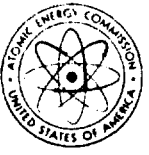


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I have designated Mr. Roger Ray, Assistant Manager for Operations, as principal point of contact within this office for all matters pertaining to the Marshall Islands Research Vessel. Mr. Ray will be assisted by our Pacific Area Support Office (PASO) as required.

User requirements are being developed through direct contact with Dr. Conard at BNL and Dr. Helfrich at the University of Hawaii. Appropriate contacts will be made also with LLL, PRNC and the University of Washington. Preliminary liaison has been established with the Marine Department at Kwajalein and further discussions are scheduled there during the week of August 27. These should result in a clearer understanding of the support which may be available at that facility and should assist in the selection of a candidate hull type. It is expected that discussions with the Navy will commence early in September.

Confirming telephone conversations between Mr. Ray and Dr. Barr, planning progress will be discussed with Dr. Barr and others interested at the September 24 meeting of the Radiological Assessment Review Group.

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