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Dear Mr. Janati:

I want to thank you for your impromptu, yet expert assistance in answering questions from the public and local officials at the recent NRC public meeting in the TMI vicinity. Your knowledge, poise, objectivity, sensitivity and clarity of expression were most valuable as you answered questions about the role of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania regarding emergency response, plant oversight, and coordination with NRC.

Although the August 2, 2000, meeting was primarily to discuss and explain the NRC's new Reactor Oversight Program (ROP), it was understandable that the citizens and officials introduced comments, questions, and perspectives on a much wider variety of issues. Your ability to clearly explain state roles and perspectives was extremely valuable. Further, your poise and ability to concisely explain complex issues were exemplary. I know the NRC staff can take some pointers from your style of responding effectively to the members of the public.

Thanks again!

Sincerely,

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