

May 11, 2001

The Honorable Daniel S. Goldin, Administrator
National Aeronautics and Space Administration
Washington, D.C. 20546-0001

Dear Mr. Goldin:

Your letter of April 9, 2001, requested the name of a Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff member to serve as NRC's technical advisor to the Interagency Nuclear Safety Review Panel (INSRP) for the Mars Exploration Rover (MER) - 2003 project. I designate Mr. Alan Kuritzky as NRC's technical advisor for this INSRP. Mr. Kuritzky's resume is summarized in the enclosure. He may be reached at (301) 415-6255, and his email address is ask1@nrc.gov.

We look forward to helping the National Aeronautics and Space Administration ensure the safe launch of MER-2003 as you continue your mission to explore our neighbors in space.

Sincerely,

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Richard A. Meserve

Enclosure: As stated