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December 12, 2001

Mr. Peter Eselgroth
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
U.S. N.R.C. Office of Public Affairs
Mail Stop 0-2A13
Washington, D.C. 20555

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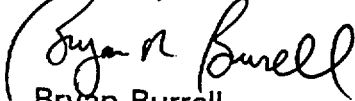
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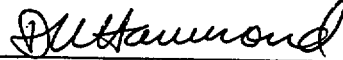
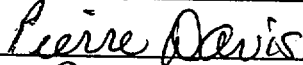

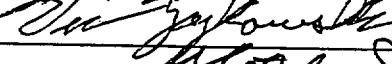


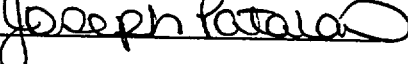
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December 27, 2001

Bryan Burrell, Board President
Nyack Public School District
Administration Building
13A Dickinson Avenue
Nyack, NY 10960

Dear Mr. Burrell :

This is in response to your letter dated December 12, 2001, addressed to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region II Acting Regional Director, Joseph F. Picciano, regarding emergency planning in the event of an incident at the Indian Point Nuclear Power Station for your School District. The responsibility for maintaining and updating the FEMA approved Radiological Emergency Preparedness Plan for Rockland County lies with the Rockland County Office of Fire and Emergency Services. Any suggestions to improve or make changes to the Plan, should be directed to that Office. Also the New York State Emergency Management Office provides radiological emergency planning guidance to the concerned Counties. FEMA, along with other Federal Agencies evaluates a full scale plume pathway exercise for all involved State, County, Local and Volunteer off-site emergency response agencies for the Indian Point site on a biannual basis.

The FEMA Region II Office will assist State and County emergency planners regarding radiological emergency planning if requested.

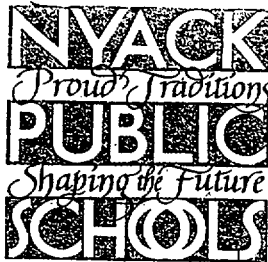
Thank you for your interest and concern in this matter. If you have any questions, please contact me at (212) 680-3618.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gerard McCarty", is written over the typed name.

Gerard McCarty,
Acting Division Director
Readiness, Response &
Recovery Division

cc: Roberta R. Zampolin, Nyack School District
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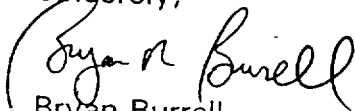
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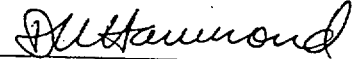
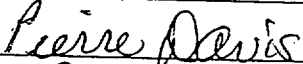
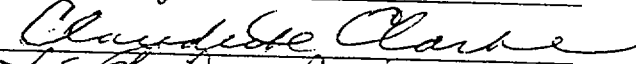
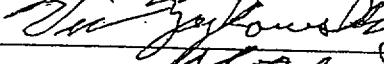

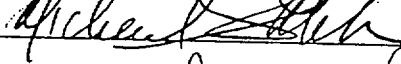
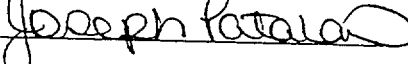
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