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SUBJECT: SUPPORT OF MATERIALS RESEARCH SOCIETY
22ND ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM

By the attached letter dated June 12, 1998, we received a request from the Materials Research Society to support their upcoming 22nd Annual Symposium on the Scientific Basis for Nuclear Waste Management in Boston, MA, on November 30th - December 4th, 1998. This request was a follow up of a discussion held with Dr. Joon H. Lee of Duke Engineering & Services during the International High-Level Radioactive Waste Management Conference in Las Vegas, NV, recently. Although we consider the activity worthy of support, and have done so in the past, the High-Level Waste Management Board determined that due to competing priorities, it is unable to fund this activity for FY1998. Therefore, in the hopes of continuing the Agency's support, I am forwarding this request for your review and consideration for funding. If you have any questions, please contact Sandra Wastler, of my staff, at 415-6724.

Attachment: As stated

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