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The NRC's public meeting policy was specifically designed to give members of the public an opportunity to express their views and we believe it accomplishes that purpose. I am sorry that you do not agree.

If you would like to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact me at 301-415-1703 or by e-mail at mrj1@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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