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Dear Sir:

In response to your notice of July 23, 1979, regarding financial protection, we would like to offer the following comments:

1. We agree and support your conclusion that Criterion I is not met by the TM I-2 event.
2. In determining the applicability of Criterion II, we would suggest that in making any findings as related to (2) on damage offsite you should consider:
 - (a) The above normal operating costs to state and local government agencies during this period of time.
 - (b) The funds paid out to those who relocated as a result of the official recommendations.
 - (c) The costs of operating schools later in the year to make up the time lost during the TM I-2 event.

We would suggest not considering voluntary action costs incurred by individuals as a part of these damages. We question the wisdom of including U.S. Government agency costs in this because several agencies came to the scene as a part of their perceived needs. These actions in some cases were not coordinated and resulted in unnecessary duplication of efforts and may have been counter productive in others.

Sincerely,

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