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Joseph M. Hendrie, Ph.D.,  
Commissioner,  
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Dear Dr. Hendrie:

It was indeed a pleasure hearing you talk at the recent American College of Nuclear Physicians meeting in Washington, D.C., relating to the interaction of nuclear regulation and medical practices. Your comments concerning the disposition of low level radioactive waste was of keen importance to me. I am the Chairman of the Consumer Affairs Commission of the American College of Nuclear Physicians, and we are in the process of attempting to put together a loose-leaf compendium of fast-fact sheets relative to just what is low level waste, how it is generated, and what is its ultimate disposition. Naturally, our major interest remains within the medical field, however, as you so aptly pointed out in your talk, we cannot totally separate ourselves from the industrial market place.

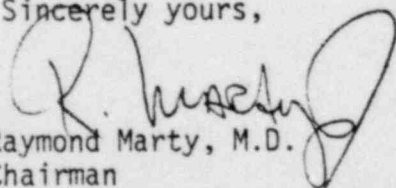
The need for the compendium has been generated by the almost near total mass hysteria of the general public, but also arising from a good portion of the medical community, having been especially spawned since the incident at Three Mile Island. The purpose of the compendium will be to try and "get the facts straight", and hopefully educate not only our own physicians, but also try and dispel the fears that now exist in our communities.

Any help that your Commission might be able to proffer would be sincerely appreciated, not only by myself, but by the members of the American College of Nuclear Physicians.

If there are any questions, please contact me.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

  
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