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Mr. Lando W. Zech, Jr.
Chairman
Nuclear Regulatory Commission
1717 H Street, N.W.
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Dear Mr. Zech:

I would like to request your assistance in clarifying the function of the Price-Anderson fund.

Price-Anderson was designed to be Federal nuclear insurance. Over \$7 billion is currently in the Price-Anderson account to compensate victims and cover damages in the event of a nuclear disaster. What is the government's plan if damages run higher than the amount in the fund? Would the Government be responsible for any additional amount?

My specific concern is over real estate value. My constituents are concerned that in the event of a nuclear disaster they will still be held liable for the remainder of their mortgages if their property is rendered unusable. Will Price-Anderson cover the value of the property, including the outstanding mortgage?

Residents within the plume zone of a nuclear plant would like the same Federal assurances on property value provided to those homeowners located within a flood zone. Would Price-Anderson do this? Is Price Anderson the nuclear equivalent of Federal Flood insurance? If not, can such a plan be devised?

I would be most appreciative if you would answer these questions as specifically as possible. I anxiously await your response. With regards, I am

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Roy Dyson".

ROY DYSON
Member of Congress

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