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John F. Ahearne, Chairman
Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Matomic Building
1717 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Chairman Ahearne:

The State of Maine is currently preparing its emergency response plan for the Maine Yankee facility at Wiscasset.

To assist me in deciding on the final shape of that plan, in accordance with applicable federal regulations, I have appointed a Nuclear Safety Advisory Committee. While the operational responsibilities for preparing and implementing the plan remain with the State's Bureau of Civil Emergency Preparedness and the Bureau of Health Engineering, this advisory body assists me in arriving at my decisions with regard to their proposed course of action. In addition, it assures me of receiving a cross-section of expert counsel.

I would appreciate it if the Nuclear Regulatory Commission could provide one or more people to meet with this advisory group at an early date. Because our own work on emergency response planning is relatively far advanced, these people could be available to us at a critical moment to help insure that our plan was both adequate and functional. Members of the Advisory Committee have suggested to me the names of Mr. Grimes and Mr. McKenna. I would be pleased if both of them could meet with my advisory group but would understand if it were only possible for one of them to attend such a meeting.

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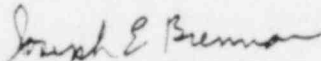
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I would expect that such a meeting might take place during the month of October and am sure that it could be scheduled to suit the convenience of one or both of these people.

I appreciate your consideration on this matter and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,


JOSEPH E. BRENNAN
Governor

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