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Dear Mr. Sutton:

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The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Final Environmental Statement for the review of the Seabrook operating license application has been approved for publication. I am taking this opportunity to express the NRC's appreciation for your involvement in our review of the environmental impact of the operation of the Seabrook nuclear power plants.

During the past year, your staff has been responsive to the needs of the NRC in ensuring the review was performed to high standards of quality and professionalism. Your active participation in the site visit, your input to the Draft Environmental Statement, and your assistance in developing responses to public comments contributed significantly to the thoroughness of our review.

Members of your staff with whom the NRC coordinated EPA participation are Elizabeth A. Higgins, T. E. Landry, Jr., Robert Leger, and Wallace E. Stickney. Please convey the MRC's appreciation to them, and other of your staff who may have been involved, for their assistance.

The NRC looks forward to similar EPA participation in future environmental reviews.

Sincerely,

Original signed by Darrell G. Eisenhut

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