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Mr. Fran Rosch  
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Dear Mr. Rosch:

During the NRC EQ Workshop in November 1993, many nuclear utility representatives recommended that the NRC staff should evaluate all available EQ data prior to initiating a new research test program. We have accepted this recommendation and the staff plans to review and evaluate the information available in the NUS EQ data base. We are, therefore, requesting that unlimited access to the NUS EQ data base be given to the NRC contractor, Brookhaven National Laboratory, at no cost.

We would like to assure you that the information obtained from the NUS EQ data base will be considered as proprietary and will not be released to the public. We intend to use the NUS EQ data base for research purposes.

As we recently discussed, you indicated that the nuclear utilities would welcome this opportunity to share the EQ data with the NRC staff. We believe that the NUS data base will help us in our ongoing research program that has the objective of resolving the open issues in the EQ area. I sincerely hope that the appropriate arrangements can be made within 30 days.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Satish K. Aggarwal".

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