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Mr. Dennis K. Rathbun Director, Office of Congressional Affairs Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Rathbun:

Enclosed is a letter I received from William Hymer, who resides in Westfield, New Jersey.

He has asked me to forward the letter to your attention. I would appreciate it if you could address Mr. Hymer's letter.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Bob Franks

Member of Congress

BF/mtd Enclosure

cc: William Hymer

Nuclear Regulatory Commission

RE: Information about X-ray radiation

Dear Sir/Madam:

I am interested in obtaining information about X-ray radiation exposure and its effect on human health.

Over the years I have suffered a number of injuries to my back resulting in numerous surgies. In the course of my treatment, I have had many diagnostic X-rays taken of my back and upper body area. As a result, I am concerned about the effects of long term exposure to diagnostic X-ray radiation on my body, especially with regard to treatment for cancer.

I believe that the NRC has information about this matter that would be helpful to me. I would appreciate any information that you can provide me. I look forward to hearing from you.

William Hymer

William Hymer

647 Prospect Street Westfield NJ 07090 The ACR has information on the health benefits versus the risks of diagnostic x-ray radiation. Information may be obtained from the Public Affairs Office at (703) 648-8900.

The NCRP and the ACS have information on the long term effects of diagnostic x-ray radiation. The address for the NCRP is:

> National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements 7910 Woodmont Avenue Bethesda, MD 20814 (301) 657-2652

The ACS has information on the treatment of cancer. The National American Cancer Society, 1-800-227-2345, can identify a local contact for Mr. Hymer in Westfield, New Jersey.

I trust that this reply responds to your constituent's concerns.

Sincerely,

Original signed by James M. Taylor James M. Taylor Executive Director for Operations

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