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Dear Dr. Book:

I understand from Reg Gotchy that you are to do the independent evaluation which I discussed with Dr. Goldman of the January 25, 1980 Sternglass paper regarding alleged infant mortality changes following the Three Mile Island accident. I am enclosing a copy of the report for your review.

The response should be addressed to me with copies to Dr. Gotchy and Dr. M. Parsont, NRC.

A copy of the article appearing in the Sacramento Bee is also enclosed for your information. My thanks to Dr. Goldman for his timely assistance at the Sacramento meeting.

Sincerely,

Brian K. Grimes, Director Emergency Preparedness Task Group Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Enclosures: 1. Sternglass Report 2. Newspaper Article

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