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Mr. Phil Cogan TV News Assignment Editor KING Television 320 Aurora Avenue, North P. O. Box 24525 Seattle, Washington 98124

Dear Mr. Cogan:

In May of 1977 the Commission's Secretary, Samuel J. Chilk, advised you that the Commission would be taking a fresh look at its policy concerning camera coverage of proceedings before its Atomic Safety and Licensing Boards and Atomic Safety and Licensing Appeal Boards.

The Commission has completed a review of its policy and has decided that, on a trial basis, it will permit camera coverage of these proceedings under certain conditions. I am hopeful that this trial period will demonstrate that camera coverage can be carried out without unacceptable distractions to the boards and the participants.

Copies of the Commission's Statement of Policy and of our public announcement on this matter are enclosed.

Sincerely,

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Joseph J. Fouchard, Director Office of Public Affairs

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