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Mr. Calvin A. Canney City Manager City Hall 126 Daniel Street Portsmouth, NH 03801

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Dear Sir:

As you may know, I will be touring the Seabrook nuclear power plant site on Thursday, July 12. The purpose of my tour is to see the existing construction work and to hear the licensee's plans for completing construction of the plant. This tour is part of my ongoing effort to visit as many operating nuclear power plants and plants under construction as possible.

I regret that, due to the large number of interested towns, I am unable to invite town representatives to accompany me on my tour of Seabrook. Unfortunately, it would be physically impossible to tour a construction site such as Seabrook with a group of between 20 and 30 people. I had proposed that one town representative accompany me as the representative of all the towns. However, I was unable to get all the towns to agree to a single representative.

I enjoy meeting with people who live around the plants I visit and hearing their views. And I am particularly sensitive to the needs and interests of local government representatives. So I was disappointed that we could not work out some better arrangement in this case. However, in view of the strong local interest in the Seabrook plant and in my visit, I intend to prepare a trip report on my visit. I will send you a copy of the report, and I would be pleased to receive any written comments that you wish to provide.

I hope that this approach will provide an opportunity to share your views with me, and I would be pleased to consider other arrangements for a future visit to Seabrook that would provide a better opportunity for discussion.

Sincerely,

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