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Dear Mr. Romano:

I am writing to acknowledge that the Commission received your December 6, 1985 letter regarding the Appeal Board's refusal to permit you to participate in oral argument. It would be inappropriate for the Commission to address your arguments at this time as this would constitute prejudgment of issues that could arise in the Commission's review of Appeal Board decisions issued in the Limerick operating license proceeding. After the Appeal Board issues its decision on the Licensing Board's fourth Partial Initial Decision, if you are aggrieved, you may file a petition for review with the Commission pursuant to 10 CFR 2.786(b). That would be the appropriate time to provide your views regarding the Appeal Board's action.

Sincerely,

Samuel J. Chilk  
Secretary of the Commission

cc: Limerick service list

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