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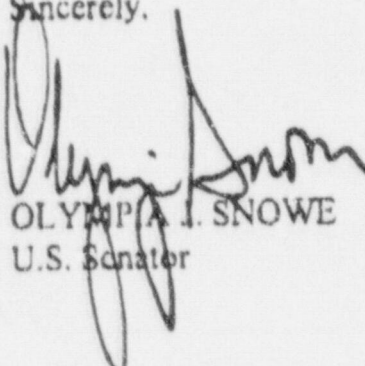
Dear Ms. Jackson:

Thank you for holding a public meeting in Wiscasset on October 7, 1997, to explain how the decommissioning process for Maine Yankee will be handled by the NRC. A representative from my staff was present and reported that the NRC's information was helpful to the public, but that some concerns were also raised that you have taken under consideration. It would be helpful to me in responding to constituents to have a copy of how you plan to respond to the concerns not answered at the meeting.

I am particularly concerned that the Post-Shutdown Decommissioning Activities Report (PSDAR) may not require a hearing for public input once the PSDAR is submitted by Maine Yankee. In the interest of the public's trust in the proper handling of the decommissioning process, I urge you to continue with your open forums in the Wiscasset area as shutdown procedures continue.

Thank you for your consideration of continuing public meetings as we all work towards a safe and secure decommissioning of the plant. I look forward to hearing of your future plans to safeguard the oversight of the decommissioning of the Maine Yankee facility.

Sincerely,

  
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