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Dear Mr. Grimsley:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), as amended 5 U.S.C. 552.

I hereby request all records related to an NRC/Boston Edison Company "management meeting" held in November 1986 concerning the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station. This request includes, but is not limited to, all correspondence exchanged between NRC and BECO prior to and subsequent to the meeting concerning the issues discussed at the meetings, all records concerning what transpired at the meeting, all records presented at the meeting (slides, viewgraphs, memoranda, etc.), and all records which suggested or mandated topics to be discussed at the meeting.

I reserve the Attorney General's right to appeal the withholding or deletion of any material.

As authorized in the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's regulations at 10. C.F.R. § 9.14a(a)(2), we believe that furnishing these requested documents without charge to the Massachusetts Department of the Attorney General would be a governmental courtesy appropriate to this request, particularly given the importance of the documents sought and our limited budget.

As you know, the POIA also authorizes you to reduce or waive fees when release of requested information would benefit "the public interest." As Attorney General for the Commonwealth, we believe the information requested would clearly be in the public interest, and therefore the fees for searching and reproduction should be waived. The documents requested are for the Attorney General's review of the conduct

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of the Boston Edison Company during the recent outage of the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Plant. The Attorney General conducts such a review regarding the reasonableness of the company's actions as part of his representation of Massachusetts consumers before the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities. Provision of the requested documents with waiver of fee will both facilitate this review process and reduce the cost of providing this governmental service for Massachusetts citizens.

Based on the above and on our limited budget, I therefore request that you waive any fees. As provided in 10 C.F.R. § 9.14b(e), I reserve the Attorney General's right to appeal any denial of fee waiver or reduction.

If you have any questions, please call me at 617-727-1083. Pursuant to the FOIA, I will expect a reply within 10 working days.

Sincerely,

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