The Honorable Bob Graham United States Senator Post Office Box 3050 Tallahassee, Florida 32315

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I hope that this letter addresses Mr. Deisch's concerns. Additional information about Department of Energy facilities on the west coast of Florida may be obtained directly from the DOE.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By: James M. Taylor

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