

April 3, 2001

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Dear Ms. Katz:

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The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) does not typically reimburse the travel expenses for individuals who request a public meeting with the NRC. However, in a telephone conversation with you prior to the public meeting on January 24, 2001, the NRC took exception to that policy and offered to reimburse the travel expenses for one presenter under the provisions of Section 8.11, "Invitational Travel," of the NRC Management Directive 14.1 "Official Temporary Duty Travel." In meeting with this commitment by the NRC, I have enclosed NRC Form 64, Travel Voucher, which documents your travel expenses and requires your signature to complete its processing. It should be noted that based on our commitment to you, we cannot approve your request to reimburse the travel expenses for the other meeting presenters. Please note that the travel reimbursement request covers the standard round trip rate quoted by Amtrak, but will not cover the costs associated with your upgrade to Business Class.

To complete the reimbursement process, please sign and date the Travel Voucher (NRC Form 64) on line 24 and return the form and all enclosures to me for final approval.

Sincerely,

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Division of Licensing Project Management
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Enclosures: As stated

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