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Re: DOE/Enewetak Memorandum of Understanding

Dear Mr. Pevec:

As you know, I sent to you on August 21, 1996, the Department of Energy's (DOE) proposed revised draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the DOE and the Enewetak/Ujelang Local Government Council. Other than a preliminary telephone conversation with you on August 22, 1996, my office has received no response concerning the Council's reaction to DOE's proposed draft (or to the supplemental proposed revisions I faxed to you on September 25, 1996).

At recent meetings, both in Majuro in January 1997 and in Washington, D.C. earlier this month, you indicated an intention to share with us the Council's reactions to the draft MOU. However, no such reactions have been received to date.

The continuing failure to make any progress toward execution of a MOU mutually agreeable to DOE and the Council is a significant impediment to DOE's planning for and execution of its radiological monitoring missions to Enewetak. I therefore urge you to contact me at your earliest convenience, so that we may resolve this matter as expeditiously as possible.

Sincerely,

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