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Dr. Lee Farr
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Dear Lee:

As is usual, you did a very smooth job in your presentation to the Advisory Committee for Biology and Medicine. I am sure you are particularly aware of their value both to us and to the programs which are being supported by the Division of Biology and Medicine. Although it is always an added chore the only way one can properly defend a program or coordinate it with other programs is to actually visit on the spot and find out what goes on. In this connection I think it might have been a little better if four or five people had made presentations, although certainly the presentations by yourself and Gene Cronkite were excellent.

I am not sure but what it might have been wise to take the ACBM into your confidence relative to your fiscal problems although this is a matter of judgment and you can rest assured that I will do all that I can to make certain that the pressing problems relative to necessary alterations in your new hospital and reactor will be taken care of. I have talked the matter over with Bert Stanwood, our Assistant Director for Administration, and he corroborates what I told you, namely, that while our own construction funds are quite firmly committed we will take the matter up with the Controller in an effort to obtain funds from other sources within the Commission. However, there is great need for speed so please, in your own interest, bend every effort to have the formal request in our hands within a few days.

Once again, thank you for your share in making the ACBM visit a success.

With kind personal regards,

Most sincerely yours,

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