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Hector P. Garcia, M.D. 1314 Bright Street Corpus Christi, Texas 78405

Dear Dr. Garcia:

The next meeting of the Steering Committee will be held in New York at 10:30 a.m. on January 18.

Because of the obvious seriousness of the present energy crisis, we have decided to devote a significant portion of the meeting to that subject. While many things about the shortage are confusing, one thing is very clear. Almost every decision about how to use our limited supplies will have serious impact on life in our cities over the coming months and perhaps years. Early indications are that, in addition to the short-run and long-range effects on urban business and government, serious dislocations and hardships may be suffered by the poor, minorities and working class residents of our cities.

We are making arrangements to have someone from the new Federal Energy Office to address us and are asking a few members of our own Board to present from various perspectives their own views and recommendations. It is vital that we fully understand the ramifications of this latest crisis so that we may act both in the best interests of our country and our constituents.

I hope you will be able to attend the meeting, and that you will use the enclosed card to indicate whether you will attend, as well as what travel and hotel arrangements we can make for you.

Sincerely,

M. Carl Holman

Enclosure