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Date: July 3, 2005
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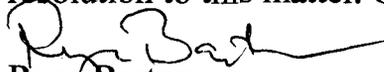
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My information is noted below. I hope you decide on a favorable resolution to this matter. One that keeps PNS alive.



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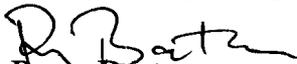
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