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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

Washington, D. C.

October 27, 1960

Honorable John A. McCone
Chairman
Atomic Energy Commission
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. McCone:

I enclose herewith a letter from Mr. E. A. Tharpe, Tharpe & Company, Inc., New Orleans, Louisiana, which you will find self-explanatory. I will appreciate your consideration of this and your furnishing the information he requests.

Thanking you for this courtesy, I am

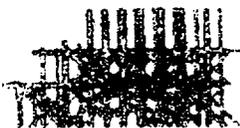
Sincerely yours,

Overton Brooks
Overton Brooks, M. C.

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P. S. Kindly return the enclosure when the purpose has been served.

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October 25, 1960

Congressman Overton Brooks
State of Louisiana
Washington, D. C.

Dear Congressman:

Since your last visit to our office in Shreveport, Louisiana we have now established a second office in New Orleans, Louisiana as noted on the letterhead.

Our role is primarily that of Appraisal Engineers and we are presently making every effort and using every medium possible to qualify ourselves as Appraisal Engineers for right of way and land acquisition for atomic energy, electrical and industrial uses.

Our last assignment as Appraisal Engineers was with the U. S. Corps of Engineers for the appraisal of the Niki Missile Site at Stonewall, Louisiana.

Enclosed you will find a copy of a letter the undersigned wrote to Mr. John F. Newell, Chief, Site-Environment Branch, Division of Licensing and Regulation, U. S. Atomic Energy Commission, Washington 25, D. C. outlining several requests for certain information. The purpose of this letter to you is to seek your assistance in qualifying our corporation as Fee Appraisers in the atomic energy field.

I would appreciate your reply naming the Congressmen and or Senators that are committee members working with the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission. With your help and the assistance of these members it will be possible for an independent firm to educate and qualify the personnel involved with atomic energy and right of way problems associated with the use of

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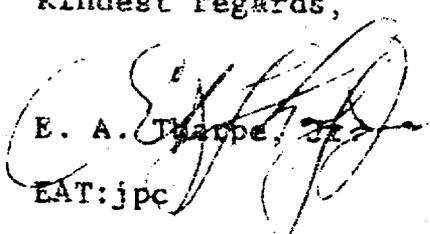
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atomic energy for the generation of electric energy and other uses.

I note on the exhibit attached that reactors are in use, or are in the process of being constructed in various parts of the United States. Within the past four years site approval for several reactors ranging in size from 48 to 630 thermal megawatts has been granted. To your knowledge have any reactors been planned or are in the planning stage for the State of Louisiana?

Any assistance that you and your office may give the undersigned will be most appreciated.

Kindest regards,


E. A. Thayer

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