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TRUCK STRIKE POSSIBILITY

It has come to the attention of the Atomic Energy Commission that a truck strike may develop during the period of January 24-31, 1974. Preliminary information indicates that if the strike occurs it will probably be localized in the northern Ohio and western Pennsylvania areas. It is doubtful that the strike will be nationwide. There is a possibility of isolated incidents. In view of the foregoing and your obligation to safeguard special nuclear material subject to the requirements of 10 CFR Part 73, you are requested to consider the consequences of this possible strike in scheduling truck shipments of SNM in quantities of 5 kilograms of contained uranium-235 or 2 kilograms of plutonium and/or uranium-233 for delivery during the duration of the strike.

Possible actions on your part to reduce the impact of any such strike on safeguarding of SNM include: (1) delay truck shipments until the strike period is over; (2) route shipments to avoid the strike area; (3) use other modes of transportation when available; (4) if shipment is already in transit and it cannot be routed to avoid the strike area, place shipment in storage and keep under surveillance for the duration of the strike.

If the strike does occur and you have truck shipments routed through the strike areas, please advise us by telephone, confirmed in writing within 24 hours, of your shipping plans and any preventive actions you may take.