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CURTISS-WRIGHT RESEARCH REACTOR PROJECT

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1. On September 11, 1956, Capt. Jerry Helfrich of Aircraft Reactors Branch, RD, delivered five copies of CWR-431 "Preliminary Hazards Evaluation Report, Curtiss-Wright Research Reactor" to the Reactor Hazards Staff. Capt. Helfrich stated that an official request for safety evaluation of the Curtiss-Wright reactor accompanied by the required six copies of the hazards report was being transmitted through official channels and should reach the Hazards Staff within the next day or so.
2. Capt. Helfrich stated that the Curtiss-Wright staff had prepared the hazards report with their own personnel as a means of gaining insight and experience in reactor design problems.
3. Curtiss-Wright plans to build this reactor in a remote location in north-central Pennsylvania where it will be devoted to problems of research and development of interest to Air Force reactor projects.
4. Time schedules for safety approval of the project are not urgent, but Curtiss-Wright hopes, nevertheless, that lengthy delay will not be involved in securing approval. After the Hazards Staff has had an opportunity to review the hazards report Curtiss-Wright personnel will plan a visit to Washington for discussion and clarification of any features which are not clear.
5. Mr. Harry Reese is Director of the Curtiss-Wright Reactor Project. The staff assigned to this project are currently located at Clifton, New Jersey. (Mr. George Hovorka of the RHES has been designated as the contact officer on this project).

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