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TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH STAFF MEMBER OF REPRESENTATIVE QUIGLEY'S OFFICE

This is to advise you that I received a telephone call this morning from a Mr. Yankhouer, a member of the staff of Representative Quigley's office (PA) with respect to the problem of federal-state relations generally and a specific question regarding Peach Bottom. The Peach Bottom question involved an inquiry as to whether contamination, in the nature of waste discharge into a river in Pennsylvania, could be controlled by a Maryland law which would limit the amount of radioactive concentration in that same river as it flowed through the state of Maryland. I advised Mr. Yankhouer that the question of effluent contamination was for Commission decision where the offending party was an AEC licensee, that questions of this sort were generally worked out in a cooperative manner, but that the Administrative Procedures Act would offer an appropriate procedural vehicle for the determination of questions involving contamination where mutual cooperation failed. I also advised Mr. Yankhouer of the provisions of the Water Pollution Act and the course of action which could be followed under that act. Mr. Yankhouer seemed satisfied with my explanation and with my offer for any further assistance in matters involving health and safety in the federal-state area.

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