

Beaver Run, R D #1,
Glenmoore, Pa. 19343
March 24, 1980

John Aheame, chairman
NRC
1717 H St.
Washington, D.C. 20005

Re: evacuation problem,
large population areas.

Dear Mr. Aheame:

I wrote to you on January 2, 1980, regarding the need for practical evacuation plans around nuclear power sites, with money is scarce to back them up. To date I have not received a reply. I want to now elaborate on my concerns.

In the "Report of the President's Commission on the Accident at Three Mile Island" The inadequacy of the way the "low population zone" concept is implemented is pointed out. It is recommended that the LPZ concept be abandoned for a more realistic one, and that flexible yet comprehensive emergency plans should be developed (pp. 16-17).

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I am concerned that the problems of evacuating a large population from a large radius in a short enough period of time have been underestimated. I am not yet convinced that safety precautions which are delaying techniques to allow more evacuation time are adequate. Since these matters concern a large sector of the population around densely populated areas like, but not limited to, Indian Point (N.Y.), Mt. Zion (nr. Chicago), Seinerick (nr. Philadelphia) I would beg you to open up these issues to public debate and public hearings.

We cannot afford to take inadequate measures to guard public safety. People's safety must be uppermost, even if the nuclear industry would have to suffer.

Sincerely,
Bernard Wolf