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Gentlemen:

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At your request, a meeting was held on October 2, 1973, to discuss the gaseous effluent limits to be imposed in the proposed Technical Specifications forming a part of the operating license for the Duane Arnold Energy Center. In attendance were members of your organization headed by Mr. Charles Sanford, and members of the AEC Staff.

The purpose of the meeting was to enable the DAEC staff to present -its position that the limits in the proposed Technical Specifications are unduly conservative and that the DAEC will probably be routinely exceeding the release limits.

The presentation was excellent and well received, and many points were raised which merited close attention. However, after a careful review of all aspects, we have concluded that a change is not justified at this time.

The gaseous effluent limits to be imposed on the DAEC will be as the AEC Staff has proposed. These are the same limits that are currently being imposed on all BWR's. By the time that the DAEC is operating at full power, we will have obtained further data from operating BWR's, and the public hearing now being conducted on "Numerical Guides for Design Objectives and Limiting Conditions for Operation to Meet the Criterion 'As Low as Practicable' for Radioactive Material in Light Water-Cooled Nuclear Power Reactor Effluents" will be concluded.

Therefore, any changes in our current gaseous effluent limits which may result from this additional data and from the decisions arising from the rule making hearing will be reflected in the DAEC Technical Specifications during the early phase of DAEC operations.

OFFICE-SURNAME> DATE I wish to thank you for the information presented at the meeting. Meetings such as this serve to increase the knowledge and understanding of all of us who are involved in the nuclear power program.

Sincerely,

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