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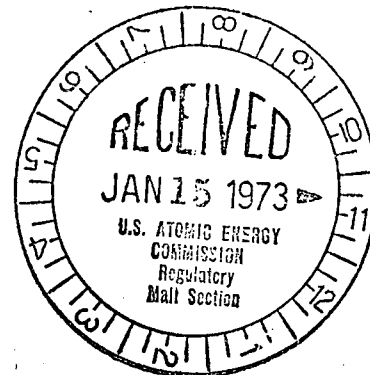


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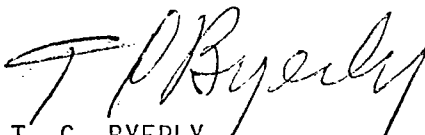
January 9, 1973

Mr. Daniel R. Muller
Directorate of Licensing
Atomic Energy Commission
Washington, D. C. 20545

Dear Mr. Muller:

We have had the draft environmental statement for the Duane Arnold Energy Center, Iowa Electric Light and Power Company, reviewed in the relevant agencies of the Department of Agriculture and comments from Soil Conservation Service and Forest Service, both agencies of the Department, are enclosed.

Sincerely,


T. C. BYERLY
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United States Department of Agriculture
Forest Service

RE: Duane Arnold Energy Center, Iowa Electric Light
and Power Company

The project is largely in place. The draft states that no trees were removed in construction of the power plant site, and that of the 1,182 acres (87 miles) of rights-of-way for the transmission lines, 3.6% are wooded. (Table 2-4.1-1 of Amendment 2 of Iowa Electric Light and Power Co.'s Environmental Report indicates 34.2 acres, but the apparent discrepancy of 8.3 acres is probably explained someplace and we missed it; in any event, it is not significant.) From the description of the location and clearing of the right-of-way, it would appear that adequate consideration has been given wooded areas both in the draft, and on-the-ground.

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Soil Conservation Service, USDA
Comments on Draft Environmental Statement
prepared by the Iowa Electric Light and
Power Company for the Duane Arnold Energy
Center

We have reviewed the draft statement and believe that the project will not adversely affect any Soil Conservation Service program in Linn County, Iowa.

The Soil Conservation Service, through the Linn County Soil Conservation District, would be glad to provide further assistance concerning problems related to soils, drainage or general land use.

We appreciate the opportunity to review and comment on this project.