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CLASS: <u>U</u> PROP INFO	INPUT	DOCKET NO: 50-331				
DESCRIPTION: Ltr re our 11-20-72 ltr... furnishing comments on Draft Enviro Statement for Duane Arnold Plant....			ENCLOSURES:			
PLANT NAMES: Duane Arnold Plant			DO NOT REMOVE ACKNOWLEDGED			

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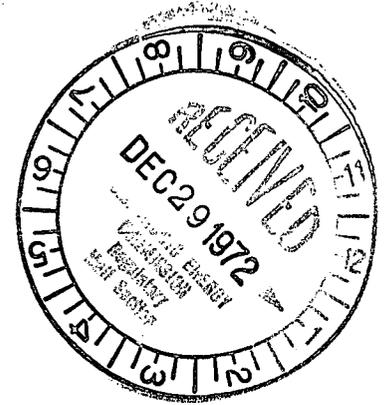
Peter T. Harstad, Director

Iowa City, Iowa 52240



December 20, 1972

Daniel R. Muller, Assistant Director
for Environmental Projects
Directorate of Licensing
U. S. Atomic Energy Commission
Washington, D. C. 20545



Re: Docket No. 50-331

Dear Mr. Muller:

By letter of November 20, 1972, you requested this agency to review the A. E. C. Draft Environmental Statement related to the Duane Arnold Energy Center currently in the process of construction in this part of Iowa. You also sent to us the three volume Environmental Report prepared by Iowa Electric Light and Power Company.

Evaluating the scientific merit of the above materials is quite out of the realm of our experience here at the State Historical Society.

Nevertheless, an able University of Iowa graduate student in History, Richard Lawton, has read and studied this material and also attended a question and answer session with Iowa Electric officials at Cedar Rapids a few days ago. He offers the following comment: "Both the Draft and the Iowa-Electric reports seem to exhibit the research of highly trained specialists animated by the recent goal of pollution-free environments."

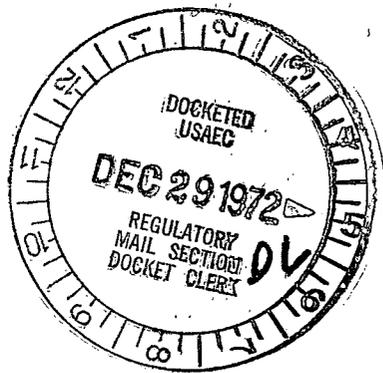
This state agency will continue to follow the progress at the Duane Arnold Energy Center, but it is questionable whether this institution can make useful responses to requests such as yours of November 20, 1972. Had we been called upon at an early stage in developments to evaluate what impact this installation might have upon the life patterns of Iowans living in proximity to the site we might have been able to provide some meaningful data. It is quite clear that you are not concerned with such matters.

Unless informed otherwise, we see it as our responsibility to make the Draft and Environmental Report available for public use and study.

Sincerely yours,
Peter T. Harstad
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