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Dear Mr. Darby:

Thank you for your letter of August 18, 1971, which requested information on any Atomic Energy Commission regulations which prevent tours of nuclear facilities. There are no AEC regulations which prohibit tours of nuclear facilities; however, the AEC does expect any licensee conducting tours to take necessary steps to limit and control access of tour party members to assure the safety of the tour members as well as to assure continued safe operation of the plant.

I hope the above information answers your questions regarding tours.

Sincerely,

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