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Trans ltr fm Mrs. Daniel Klassen re operation of the
Natick plant on a limited basis & asks why AEC is
responsible for promotion and regulation of atomic power and
why the states cannot set lower standards

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Because of the desire of this office to be responsive to all inquiries and communications, your consideration of the attached is requested. Your findings and views, in duplicate form, along with return of the enclosure, will be appreciated by

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November 10, 1970

Senator Harold Hughes
Washington D.C.

Dear Senator Hughes,

The recent A.E.C. decision to allow N.S.P. to open on a limited basis its Monticello nuclear power plant was very disappointing. It raises several important questions. Why is the A.E.C. responsible for both promoting and regulating atomic power? Why can't a state pass laws with stiffer regulations on nuclear power plants. Radiation is cumulative. Any amount has the potential of causing serious health problems such as

cancer and birth defects. It also creates environmental problems. Minnesota is trying to protect its people, air and water from nuclear pollution. Why not pass stiffer standards than the A.E.C. Now is the time for action, not 20, 40 or 80 years from now when the effects are proven and it is too late. The age of business before all else is over. It is time to consider the welfare of all people.

Yours truly,
Mrs. Daniel L. Klassen

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