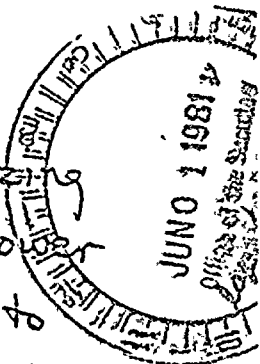


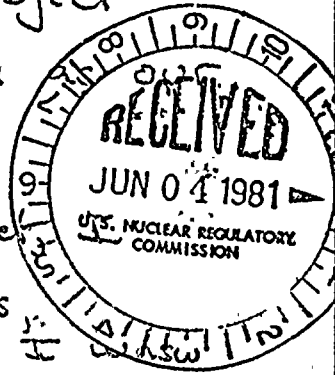
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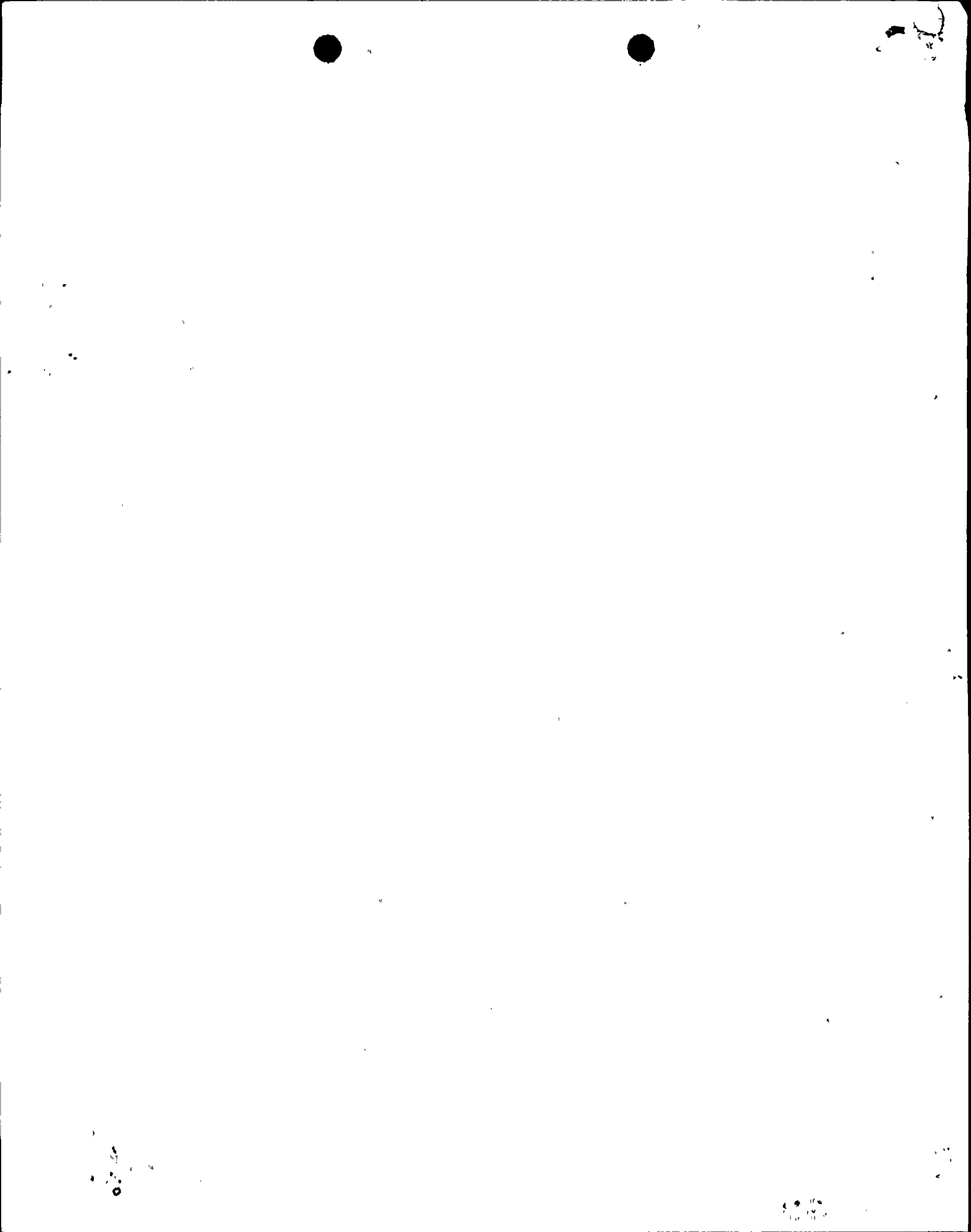
Perhaps you think that it is brutal and traumatizing to involve our children in our fears of nuclear power poisons. Perhaps you think it is not appropriate to allow children to think or speak regarding a subject as technical and hard to grasp, and complex energy problems.



But sirs, in all sincerity and with all respect still wish to present you with these 3 letters written without my suggestion, spontaneously, (as if listening to those proceedings on the radio,) by my daughter Ola and two friends of hers; Autumn age 7, and Christopher, age 6. These 3 will not be children and innocent and unable to grasp these complexities ~~for~~ all their lives. In just 14 years they will be 21. They may be still living in this town, or ~~another~~ near another power plant, or near a train track or highway leading from a plant to a waste site, or near a waste site. Likely they will. In 14 years, IF things continue as they're going, nearly everyone in the world will be near some nuclear waste danger area or other. These children ^{should} ~~do~~ not ~~need~~ to be unnecessarily traumatized, but what will evacuation exercises do to their minds? Even if no accident ever happens here, an accident is bound to happen in some plant or other. It will be a paranoid and traumatizing experience to even "be prepared" for possible accidents.

These children, in their simplicity, don't understand why you, we, our country, any one is willing to take this terrible risk with all of our lives. In their simplicity they see this issue clearly. Plutonium is too dangerous to create, ~~that's what~~

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Temporary solution to our energy problems, ~~and~~
fear of financial loss, ~~and~~ fear of ~~our~~ admitting
we were wrong to begin this program - these are
not ~~an~~ sufficient answers to their question of "WHY?" =

~~and~~ I was ~~also~~ impressed with their
clarity when they ~~would~~ ask "WHO ARE YOU?
Tell me your name?"

Who is "NUKYLER POWER?"

Who takes responsibility for the potential

catastrophe? I'd wager none of you, ^{But if not you} ~~who~~

If something does happen, here, or anywhere,
everyone will say "It was not I. I did
not plan on mass murder of innocent victims...
...I just didn't realize it."

Yet, by now, you do realize.

I ask you, as a citizen, as a ~~parent~~ ^{parent,} as
a human - BE TRUE TO YOUR OWN HIGHEST CONVICTIONS!

Please don't respond to this monumentally
important issue in a spirit of protecting your job.
~~Don't~~ Don't be afraid to tell the truth, and to see
the truth. You will be respected for your honesty.
If you make enemies out of your old "friends" - you
will realize they were not friends after all, only fellow
conspirators in a mass hoax - a deadly trick
played on everyone for the temporary advantage
of a few. We must change this deadly trend.
If you lose "friends" on one side, you will gain firm friends on the other.
If you are brave enough to tell the truth, others will follow.

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And so I ask you, in the name of your own conscience, not to evade the issue — not to try to figure how to avoid the questions being asked of you and others.

Please face this issue squarely. It is not a question of whether a certain valve was tested at a certain plant on a certain year — It is not whether "PT-5 mentioned on page 132-A" was actually the same type as the similar gadget at Diablo. The issue is that Plutonium is an unfathomably lethal poison. ~~tiny~~ ~~from~~ Microscopic quantities can do monumental damage for a million years. It is wrong for you to argue in favor of it. You'll be sorry when the inevitable result shows the criminality of this whole attempt to get nuclear power accepted among the confused and fearful public.

Those children speak clear and simple. Hear them. They are ~~the~~ voices coming to you from the future. Perhaps you think this is a "trade-off" decision. Better to have the power now for hospitals, etc. or better to have nuclear power than to use up all our fossil fuels. But it's much more likely that our huge sums of money put into research for alternative methods will turn up ~~the~~ safe solutions, than the same amount of money would turn up an absolutely fool proof way to contain the dangerous plutonium at all plants in the world. "No way!" as children say.

No way, will it be safe.



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And so I speak to you, all of you who are actively participating in these hearings - You, the N.R.C., which I know is trying to preserve nuclear power, you-P.G.E. which is naturally trying to protect its investment and its future and reputation, ~~you~~ all the witnesses, - experts in one aspect or another in this issue - I speak to you with ~~the~~ great empathy for the difficulty of your position. Crises such as this, call forth greatness. Please step out of your shoes, out from your hat, and look at this issue from the point of view of humanity in general. And then let your soul guide you. The issue becomes simple and clear from that perspective. Sometimes, to cut through all the muddy and complex issues of our "grown-up" world, we must become as little children.

Sincerely and respectfully yours,

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