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Attention: Mr. Byron Lee, Jr.
 Assistant to the President

Gentlemen:

On January 1, 1970, the National Environmental Policy Act was enacted which declares a national policy for the environment and creates a Council on Environmental Quality (a copy of the Act is enclosed). Under the provisions of section 102 of the Act, each Federal agency is required to consult with appropriate Federal, state, and local agencies concerning major Federal actions significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and to prepare a detailed statement concerning, among other things, the environmental impact of the proposed action. The Commission is in the process of developing procedures to implement the detailed statement required by the Act, but because of the status of your application and in order not to delay its review, we will need from you, as soon as possible, certain information in order to prepare the detailed environmental statement.

Specifically, as provided in the Act, we need your comments with respect to the following items as they may be affected by the proposed construction and operation of the Dresden Nuclear Power Station Unit 3:

- a. the environmental impact of the proposed action,
- b. any adverse environmental effects which cannot be avoided should the proposal be implemented,
- c. alternatives to the proposed action,
- d. the relationship between local short-term uses of man's environment and the maintenance and enhancement of long-term productivity, and
- e. any irreversible and irretrievable commitments of resources which would be involved in the proposed action should it be implemented.

In addition to the above material, we would appreciate it if you would provide the information indicated on the enclosed list. Some of the information requested may previously have been supplied, but for

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completeness we would like to have all the information you provide that will be used in the preparation of the environmental statement contained in a single report. After we have received this information, we will prepare the detailed statement required by the Act and send it to the Council on Environmental Quality. A copy of the statement also will be sent to you and to interested Federal, state, and local agencies, and the statement will accompany your application through the Commission's licensing process.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by
Peter A. Morris

Peter A. Morris, Director
Division of Reactor Licensing

Enclosures:

- 1. National Environmental Policy Act
- 2. Additional Information Statement

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR PREPARATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENT

1. Identify:

- a. the environmental studies you are conducting or plan to conduct,
- b. any compatible recreation uses planned for the site, or present recreation uses which will be impaired or damaged by the facility,
- c. those pollution control measures which were instituted, or are expected to be instituted during construction of the facility, and
- d. those state and local agencies from which licenses, permits, or other approvals relating to the environmental matters must be obtained before operation of the facility may begin.

2. Provide such other information that would be pertinent and helpful for the preparation of the environmental statement.