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803 North Street
Weatherly, PA 18255
August 8, 1979

Director, Division of Site Safety
and Environmental Analysis
Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D. C. 20555

Dear sirs:

We want to strongly protest your Draft Environmental Statement recommending that Pennsylvania Power & Light Co. be granted an operating license for the Berwick, PA. nuclear plant. In Section 6, "Environmental Impact of Postulated Accidents," you state that the environmental risk from a Class 9 accident need not be considered, because the probability of a major accident is far too low.

The low probability, as you are aware, did not prevent the accident from happening at Three Mile Island on March 28 in Harrisburg. That accident brought out the potential for human and mechanical error in any nuclear plant, no matter how carefully built, and we feel that no one should have to live with the fear of another accident. We advocate increased use of our own abundant Pennsylvania coal, and the development of synthetic and solar sources of energy to combat our energy crisis.

We have been active in the Hazleton Branch of the Susquehanna Alliance in protesting the licensing of the Berwick plant. We will continue to voice our concern. In speaking to others, we find that the majority of the people in our area are against the operation of the plant, unless it is converted to another source of energy.

Very truly yours,

Harold C. Jeppsen
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