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MEMORANDUM FOR: Boyce H. Grier, Director, Region I

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

REPORT OF ACTIVITIES AT THREE MILE ISLAND

Arrived at TMI Site: 1630, 4/12,79 Departed TMI Site: 0700, 4/21/79 Times on Duty:

> 4/12/79 1600 - 2100 4/13/79 0700 - 2000 4/14/79 0630 - 1930 4/15/79 0630 - 1930 4/16/79 0700 - 1900 4/17/79 4/18/79 4/19/79 0700 - 1800 0700 - 1300, 2300 - 2400 0000 - 1000, 2200 - 2400 4/20/79 0000 - 0900, 2300 - 2400 4/21/79 0000 - 0700

- S mmary of Activities Performed: First assignment was to test each of the three commercial whole body counters on-site (two from Helgeson Nuclear Services and one from Radiation Management Corporation) with the standard phantom used in RII; reviewed the results of whole body counts from March 29 - April 15, 1979 and discussed with vend representatives some of the highest counts; and discussed with Met. Ed. representative proposed whole body counting criteria. After the above was completed, assumed in-plant HP duties part-time as communicator and part-time reviewing the progress of certain projects such as the Unit 2 emergency diesel building decon and the Unit 2 auxiliary building filter changes.
- Comments on Licensee (Health Physics) Operacions: My experience at TMI was too limited to give a fair general assessment of overall HP operations. Some specific HP deficiencies noted were:

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- a. Vendor (Tri-State Laundries) efforts at cleaning respirators was very poor (improperly cleaned and poor acceptance criteria); TMI HP was apparently providing poor support for this operation.
- b. One vendor whole body counter (according to a vendor representative), after having rushed to TMI, was left sitting for a day and a half without electrical power to start operations.
- c. There was at one time (during the week of the 15th of April), an apparent shortage of teletectors, self-reading dosimeters, and face-pieces for Scott Airpacks.
- 4. Comments on IE Operations: In-plant IE health physics personnel appeared effective in independently assessing HP conditions in the plant and identifying significant problems to the licensee.

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