



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

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Professor Bruce W. von Zellen, Ph.D.
Northern Illinois University
DeKalb, Illinois 60115

Dear Dr. von Zellen:

This is in response to your letter dated June 25, 1979 to Dr. Hendrie which requested that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) be prepared prior to the chemical decontamination of Dresden Nuclear Power Station Unit No. 1. We are currently reviewing the need for such an impact statement for the decontamination as a result of a petition by Mrs. Kay Drey dated March 10, 1979.

A copy of our response to Mrs. Drey and the related Federal Register notice are enclosed for your information. Please be assured that the Dresden decontamination will not go forth until the need for an Environmental Impact Statement is resolved.

We will provide you with copies of our decision on this matter when we have completed our review.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Darrell Eisenhut".

Darrell G. Eisenhut Acting Director
Division of Operating Reactors

Enclosures:
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Ms. Kay Drey
515 West Point Avenue
University City, Missouri 63130

Dear Ms. Drey:

This letter is sent to acknowledge receipt of your petition dated March 10, 1979, asking that an Environmental Impact Statement be prepared on the proposed decontamination experiments at Dresden Nuclear Power Station, Unit 1, designed to flush radioactive corrosion products from portions of the facility's piping. Your request is being treated under the procedures specified in 10 CFR 2.206 of the Commission's regulations and accordingly, we will inform you of our decision on your request within a reasonable time. Enclosed for your information is a copy of the notice regarding your request that will be filed for publication with the Office of the Federal Register.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By
Roger S. Boyd

for
Harold R. Denton Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Enclosure
Notice

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