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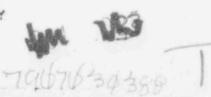
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## EVENING SESSION

(7:10 g.m.)

CHAIRMAN BECHECETER: The proceeding will core to

We are here tonight to take limited appearance statements from the various members of the public. We have a unumber of lists here of people who have requisted time, and I will try to read these insofar as I can determine the order that we received the request.

I might say we are not going to permit persons who made oral statements earlier to make them again conight.

There are probably -- there are enough people here to take all the whole evening session, so that we are going to limit the statements to those who have not appeared before.

We request that the statements be limited to approximately 5 minutes in length; in order to get through the number of people here that will have to be fairly carefully enforced, so try to limit your statements to that period of time.

In addition, as we mentioned the other day, we do not permit demonstrations here. We are in a courtroom, and I think I would request that various applause, et cetara, be withheld. I think that's inappropriate for a courtroom, and people here have requested that we not have that type of demonstration.

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With that, the first person on my list is a person who requested to be heard on Tuesday and then apparently couldn't make it and will be here today, Lewis Seiler.

MR. SEILER: Thank you, Mr. Chairman, ladie: and gentlemen.

The key problem that's facing the government in general today and the NEC in particular is the loss of credibility: the public has no confidence that your agency will as the will or the backbone to faithfully execute its duties.

And I submit to you that this duty is above all to ensure the public safety. In the case of the nuclear industry and the NRC the bare minimum requirement is that your board and your staff be objective and unbiased in evaluating the Simmer station.

Only a body untouched by bias and prejudice can give us the barest hope that we won't be the next Three Mile Island or worse.

Only an objective, courageous body will put our lives above the image and the ego of CG & E officials and will fully examine and explore the dangers which Zimmer presents, the real dangers.

Staff especially are not such a body. So much bias has been shown thus far that at this point I would in whatever role

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I have here would like to formally request that your staff attorney, Mr. Barth, be disqualified from further participation in these proceedings, and this is a serious request, and I would like you to take it as such.

My basis for the request is as follows: at a recess of the prehearing in Moscow, Ohio, Mr. Barth made a number of remarks in which he indicated a strong pronuclear point of view.

objectively make recommendations to this board when he has such a bias, a bias which is so strong that he has on several occasions felt it necessary to express it at a time which is most sensitive to all of us concerned.

In my mind this is equivalent of a judge discussing the merits of capital punishment during the recess of a marder trial.

But Mr. Barth has chosen to go further. During the same prehearing in Moscow, a local doctor made an adamant speech against nuclear power and the cancer that it will cause.

A recess was called immediately after the doctor's speech. Mr. Barth went up to the doctor privately and in a threatening manner asked whether the American Medical Association knew or approved of such statments being made.

The clear intent of the questions was to chill

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the doctor from further remarks or participation in the Zimmer licensing proceedings.

As an attorney. Mr. Barth knew or should have known that the first amendment would certainly protect the doctor's statement, but regardless of how distasteful the facts are to Mr. Barth -- and finally today, Mr. Barth today

in these proceedings and that he believes that Zimmer should be licensed.

The NRC should encourage and not discourage public participation in these proceedings to be sure, but even more, it should not allow the staff to question and intimidate witnesses.

Are we to rely for our safety on a board which will give Mr. Barth's opinion great weight, as we've seen today when Mr. Barth was jumping up and down objecting to the intervenor's testimony and when CG & E would ask a question I don't believe he was up too often.

Again, a bare minimum, not a maximum, ladies and gentlemen, but a minimum requirement for a fair hearing for al concerned would require the withdrawal of Mr. Barth.

Absent such a withdrawal, we know that Zimmer will be railroaded through without hearing testimony which will concern thepublic safety and without even the semblance of a fair and objective hearing.

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If I am in order, I would request a ruling on my request, Mr. Chairman.

GHAIRMAN BECHHCEFER: The board is -- does not give rulings on this sort of a request.

board -- we can't take into account your competence, but and if we feel further investigation is called for, we will ask for it.

MR. SEILER: May I request for the board's consideration that the board consider making a ruling of (its own accord or take this into its -- you know -- on its own motion, perhaps -- take my statements into account.

CHAIRMAN BECHHOEFER: Well --

MR. SETLER: This is a request --

CHAIRMAN SECHROEFER: We can read your statement, but we can't take a motion as such. It would have to be from a party.

MR. SEILER: I understand. I'm just suggesting that the board might take my remarks into consideration.

CHAIRMAN BECHECEFER: Rate Williams,

MS. WILLIAMS: Mr.Chairman, ladies and

gentlamen ---

CHAIRMAN SECHHOEFER: Could you identify yourself for the reporter?

MS. WILLIAMS: My name is Rate Williams. I live

at Fort Thomas , Kentucky.

I want to address myself to two issues: first, the damage done to human beings by radiation and seconfly the dangers posed by the accumulation of nuclear wastes.

Mancuso, was employed by the U. S. Energy Research and

Development Administration to research the biological effects
of radiation on nuclear workers at the Hanford, Washington
facility and Oak Ridge, Tonnessee.

His conclusion was that there was a 6 to 7 percent in radiation related ancer deaths among the Hanford workers indicating that the disease is distinctly related to radiation exposure at todays "acceptable" levels.

From know from this and other studies - studies for example of the long term results of radiation on the survivors of the Hiroshima and Nagasaki explosions, that radiation, whether it is a low or a high level dose, it affects people in two ways.

It produces cancers in many organs and systems of the body and it produces mutations in fetuses destroying --by destroying or damaging genetic materials in the parents

Low level background radiation has already been linked to these two harmful effects; that is, radiation that's found naturally in our environment -- adding to this already existing level of radiation by building more nuclear power plants increases the amount of damage to the human

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many small doses may eventually add up to the affect of Come large dose.

may be when they are routinely released into the rivers or the air by nuclear power plants, they are reconcentrated once they are absorbed at any level into the food chair.

We have only experienced added radioactive level from military and civilian sources for 35 years now and since the latency period of cancer is 12 to 40 years — that is the time before cancer will appear after the first exposure to radiation — and since genetic mutations, in particular those affecting recessive genes, will not manifest themselves for generations, the actual harm that is being done is not yet being experienced by the damaged population.

What I am talking about is not just a -- it is just it is a statistic that follows directly from the conclusions of the study I have cited and similar studies.

Secondly, I want to talk about the issue of nuclear wastes; the misks we run of having a major accident not only from apossible malfunctioning of the power plants themselves, but from the storage sites of high level radioactive waste.

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problem of how the spent fuel permanently and because prester reactors which would process spent fuel only solve one big problem by producing another bigger one.

stored on-site. Space is running out and in several instances, standards have been relaxed to allow closer packing of spent fuel rods in the cocling pools.

If these fuel cods get to close together, fission might start up again and a serious accident would result. It must be remembered that pluconium 239 is the most toxic substance that has ever been known on the face of the earth.

years and that is only a start. It will continue to be route for half a million years.

If this substance should escape from its containers, there would be no way to clean it up; radioactive contamination is in perpetuity.

Let us look at the record of waste containment, briefly.

Between 1958 and 1975 20 tanks of high level radioactive waste at Hanford Military reservation in Washington were found to be leaking; at the Savannah River facility in South Carolina, double valled tanks showed stress furriws and cracks.





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Between 1946 and 1970, the U. S. military dimped low level was te in concusus lined steel drums into the Pacific Ocean off San Francisco.

One-third of these are now leaking into the major fishing grounds of that area. Closed to home, low level waste is buried at Many Flats, Hentucky, and they are shown tchave contaminated a nearby streem.

We are being asked to believe that the much ar industry technologists out of all people who have ever lived or earth will be able to set aside the second law of thermodynamics and produce a system which will not tend to decay and disorder in spite of political disruptions, vars, terrorists activities and parthquakes.

I don't believe this can be done.

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CHAIRMAN BECCHOEFER: Don Bogosian.

MR. BOGOSIAN Mr. Chairman, ladies and condimen --CHAIRMAN BECHHOEFER: Would you identify yourself for the reporter?

MR. BOGOSIAN Don Bogosian. As a concerned citizen I oppose the licensing of the Zimmar Nuclear Power Plant for three reasons.

First, there's a question of radioactivity ascaping into the surrounding area. Nuclear power proponents say that nobody in America has been killed by radiation out of a nuclear power plant. Studies say that nobody is likely to be killed, but these same studies are vague on the long-term effects. Well, I'm concerned about the long-term effects. I've got a family, two young children. It's really hard to believe that the utility companies that are involved with Zimmer decided to locate their nuclear reactor upstream from where Cincinnati gets its drinking water. Some experts say that only a little radiation will get into the river, but other experts say that a little is too much. So the nuclear power proponents say we've got to live with this because death and disease to some people is offset by adequate electric power for many. Well, I can't accept this tradeoff.

I think it's wrong to intentionally introduce a substance into the environment that can harm some people. Secondly, there's the question of disposal of



nuclear wastes. It's hard to believe that the NRC is considering a license for a nuclear reactor anywhere when there are not definite plans for the disposal of the nuclear wastes. Everybody agrees that the wastes are deadly. The NRC shouldn't license any plant until the waste disposal issue has been resolved and that issue may never be resolved. Studies talk about burying the waste in impervious bedrock in places that are not likely to be disturbed by events that are tectonic in nature. At least these places are not likely to be disturbed in the immediate future, but what about the distant future? Some of the waste remain lethal for thousands of years. Do we take the chance that this stuff won't be spewed into the bicepaere 10,000 years from now? Are we certain that nobody will be living here then?

Finally, there's the problem of proliferation. There really isn't that much uranium around and in order for the nuclear energy to provide for our energy demands we will need much more fuel. The way the nuclear power proponents want to do this is to reprocess spent fuel rods and develop breeder reactors reactors, but reprocessing nuclear fuel and breeder reactors make it easy for terrorists to get hold of the bomb material. So these two approaches aren't really being pursued in America now and so we will probably run out of nuclear fuel before we run out of coal and oil. So why are we even here considering a license for Zimmer? Nuclear energy is dying. We are westing

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developing alternative suergy sources and if the alternatives are too elusive and too expensive, then conservation is the only answer. We should turn out some lights, turn off the air conditioners and throw away our electric toothbrushes.

Energy in America is a serious problem, but nuclear power is a hasty solution, one we will probably regret. So let's reconsider while we still have the chance. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN BECHHOEFER: Ben Long.

MR. LONG: My name is Ben Long and I'm a Cincinnati citizen. This will be very brief.

or not this plant gets its license. I would hope that you would base that decision on whether or not it adequately meets the NRC's regulations and guidelines. I would also hope that you would carry that one step further and consider whether or not the NRC's regulations and guidelines adequately protect the public, not just now, but for fut: a generations, because if you do decide to license this plant and those future generations will hold you responsible for that decision. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN BECHHOEFER: Joe Lombardo.

MR. LOMBARDO: I'm not going to tell you what's wrong with nuclear power because you know that. You know the problems of low level radiation. You know the problems of waste and you know the problems of catastrophic accidents

that these plants have and yet you have licensed every plant that's come up for licensing so far. That includes Three Mile Island. It includes from your predecessors the AEC the Farmi I reactor. It includes Shown's Farry. All of these had almost catastrophic accidents. It in ludes every plant that's ever had accidents and there are thousands of plants that have had accidents.

So you know what's wring with nuclear power, yet you continue to license these plants. I think the reason is you're not a regulatory agency at all, but you're an agency that supports nuclear power and that's what you're doing here.

You know, it's interesting to read the transcripts that took place between -- the conversations that took place after Three Mile Island and during the Three Mile Island accident between the members of the NRC. There was a man named Matson who was the inspector on-site at Three Mile Island and he was talking over the telephone to other officials in the NRC and he was saying things like, "I don't know why we're not moving people" -- meaning evacuating the area. "We don't know what is going on. I don't know what we're protecting by not moving people." Well. I know who you were protecting and it was not the interest of the people in Harrisburg.

There are other examples. There's Mr. Robert Pollard who all of you know. Well, I heard him speak. He was an official of the NRC too and what he spid when he spoke was.

Every single time that he came up with a negative report in a nuclear plant it never saw the light of day and every time he came up with a positive plan it always saw the light of day.

What about the Reed Report? That's a secret report but everybody knows about it now, but we can't get a look at it. It was produced by General Electric. It identifies 28 generic defects in the type of reactor that they are going to put up at Zimmer and a nuclear group is suing to see this report. Why aren't you on their side? Why aren't you making this information public so we will know what the ingers are that we will be facing?

You're putting the profits of the nuclear power industry above the interests of the people in this country, but that's the way we're going to stop nuclear power, because it's against the interests of the people in this country and we are going to make that fact known over and over and over again, like Harrisburg did and like the anti-nuclear movement has been doing around this country. People are learning that nuclear power is not in their interest and taking positions against it. There's unprecedented amount of labor that's come out against nuclear power. In this state alone, locals of the Oil, Chemical and Atomic Union, the Postal Workers, Steel Workers, Mine Workers, Auto Workers, the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, the International Association of Machinists and the Sheemetal Workers, have taken positions

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against nuclear power.

We will see, if nuclear power continues, that these will no longer be positions, but people marching in the streets demanding an end to nuclear power. We had 125,000 people on the streets on May 6 and thousands of people in this country and over 14 other nations protesting nuclear power on Tune 2nd and 3rd. You can be sure this to going to happen again and again of you people continue to push these nuclear plants, if Zirmer and other ones are not stopped.

(Applause)

CHAIRMAN BECHHOEFER: We will keep order. I don't want applause here. I realize you agree with these statements or you may not, but we will just let people state what they have to state.

Gayla Goldsmith.

MS. GOLDSMITH: I have never stood up in Front of a bunch of people before.

CHAIRMAN BECHHOEFER: Will you give your name and identification to the reporter?

MS. GOLDSMITH: I'm Cayle Goldsmith and I live in Cincinnati. I don't know really where to begin. When I first decided I was against nuclear power, I harbored the vague notion that the Zimmer plant might not -- might be denied an operating license. With this silly notion in mind, I felt it would be more prudent to speak with some deference towards.

your authority and expertise as a governmental unit. Perhaps it would have been better to trust my common sense which finds irony in your casual treatment of the fact that over two chirds of the people who testified at the pre-hearing were against the licensing. Despite this input by members of the paying public, which I take it is part of token gratification, it seems that the NRC is intent in its wisdom and judgment upon issuing Simmer an operating license regardless of what the public says.

If people really knew the issues in nuclear power, you would probably be taking testin by until four in the morning and I guarantee most of the testimony would be against licensing Zimmer.

So often I hear the industry representatives whining about the all or nothing a midrome. You've got to have nuclear power or there won't be eronomic growth. There won't be enough jobs. Well, if I have to put up with their garbage just to keep my job, I'd rather make a full-time occupation out of sitting around breathing clean air and drinking good water. I'm a working American and when I pay my bills I want to see my money go towards something which isn't going to turn into a rig lemon in 30 or 40 years. I will gladly pay for that \$250 million stack scrubber any day instead of that \$1 billion, 400 percent inflated nuclear port o let called Timmer.

It seems that CG&E and other utilities in the nuclear industry have agreet admiration for the examples set by Detroit

in creating technology which can be thrown away. I believe that you gentlemen, as representatives of the NRC, concur with this philosophy and take it to the next logical step which will be throw-away people, people who are not compatible with nuclear pollution.

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In conclusion, I would like to say that your impervious attitude toward the overwhelming negative feeling about nuclear power here tonight is worthy of permanent assignment to a purgatorial filing cabinet where moral assues are neither considered nor taken seriously. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN BECHHOEFER: Steve Martin.

MR. MARTIN: My name is Steve Martin. I'm a welder and a voting citizen and texpayer and a CG&E customer.

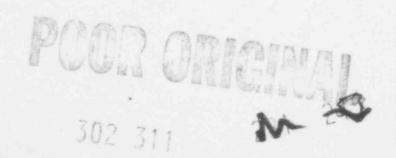
power very lately. It was certainly not the industry that made me aware. It wasn't even the protesting and information of the anti-nuclear movement that made me aware. It was the slip-up and ensuing crisis situation at Three Mile Island Fower Station that made me aware and the more aware I became and the more news I read and the more accident history I saw only served to make my blood boil with anger. And yet this anger could not be directed or simed at anything but the industry and the government. What a futile, helplass feeling that is.

At first I thought I was just being pessimistic, but the feeling would not go away. These poor people around that plant

were subjected to abnorma. doses of radiation which if any diseases or deaths could result cannot be proven a result of this partial meltdown.

So I joined Citizens Against a Radioactive Environment to try to thwart any nuclear threat at least to this community.

I'm tired of the shaft being put to me by the utility monopolies and the way they are protecting nuclear plants is indicative of the imbalance of our whole structure. Thank you.



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CHAIRMAN RECHEOR BR: Mark Raha? (No respense)

CHAIRMAN BECHEDEVER: Chris Yohman.

MS, YOHMAN, My wame is Chris Yohman, As a registered voter and a ditizen against radioactive policaion, it is my obligation to thesa people who do not understand. the dangers of auclear power and the waste to fight and prevent in every way possible the licensing of the Simmer Nuclear Power Plant. I don't feel that the Einmar plant should be licensed, ever, and feel it is murder if you ever consider its licensing. There are many questions regarding the uncertified and unquelified welders that did the cable trays. CGSE's resistance to the lack of monitoring aquipment and Three Mile Laland. We will not forget Three Mile Island in six or eight months, like many want us to do. But we will remember it the rest of our lives, as sure as those people who live to Harrisburg. If CGSE thinks Simmer is so safe, why doesn't the President of CGGE build his home in Moscow and send his children to the school adjacent to the plant. He could say a good example for the many paople who feel nu par power is ameafe.

I have a high regard for all life, and, more importantly, this earth. We are running out of resources because man is too selfish and has not been orcative enough to think of more challenging ways to davelop, provide and

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share the necessities in fife. Fe has to develop it,
package it, and sell it for his own profit. Nuclear power
is obsolete. Other sources of energy can be developed
more efficiently, safer and more economically. These people
at CGGE, as well as other utilities, are laughing all of the
way to the bank now. But I think they are in big trouble.
The Department of Energy must promote and research in
developing alternative power sources. And you can help by
not licensing Zimmar or any other nuclear power plants in
this country.

Thank you.

CHAIRMAN BECHHORFER: Guy Maluda.

Mr. Maluda. My name is Guy Haluda. I live in Cincinnati. Approximately 11 months ago I became involved in the antinuclear power movement in Pincinnati. At that time I was aware of some of the regardive aspects of nuclear power. And I was concerned that our society was wasting its resources on a dangerous and expansive form of energy. Since that time I have read and heard much more of both sides of the nuclear power issue, and I am even more convinced that the expense, the risks and the social implications of nuclear power are far too disastr as to allow any nuclear plants to continue operating or to allow any new plants to be opened.

Once I anjoyed the naive misconception that nuclear power plants were built up to strict specifications, ragidly

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enforced by an aggressit a government agency, which reduced the risks of an accidence to a minimum. I know new this is not the case. We hear from the plant that conters never empack the plant to open and as soon as the fuel. is leaded, they will leave the state. Three Mile Island has shattared the facedo of cradibility the industry coco had. If Zimmer opens as a suclear plant, it won't be because we are in desperate need of power or because anchear power is the best way to make electricity. It will be because CGAE has over \$600 million invested is the lemon of Moscow, Chio.

The same considerations that allowed Three Mile Island to open just in time for a tax break, and before it was safa, are at work here and those considerations concern primarily the economic health of the utilities. Peace of mind of the residents of southern Chic and northern Kenthoxy is worth more than \$600 million. Hork should stop immediately at dimmer, and we should utilize better ways to meet our energy reeds.

Thank you.

CHAIRMAN BECHHOETER: Bob Louitt.

Mr. Louist. My mame is Sob Louist. I was born and raised in Cincinnati and may die there. It is safe because we say so. Tossed salade of morinated microwave overs. Sun. The force that through the green fune drives the flower is not the force that through your mid

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fuse drives the power.

OM. Death smiles. Sun. In the control room men.

OM. You are reachion branders. Sur. When I see cooling towers bend to last and right, I like to think some boy's been swinging them. But swinging doesn't band them down to stay -- ice storms do that.

om, Kill a wheat? Sun. The notes C G and E form blues chord. Yes, a strange song is being written. A strange song is being played. And you are this concart and smiling ushers and beaming ticket takers. Our children are filing in to hear your strange music, unaware that they will have to sit and listen for 250,000 years, and that there is no intermission, and that the program you handed them tells them to sit still and like it.

OM. Armagehdon. Breath. Sun. You wouldn't lia to me in order to get into my g-a-n-e-s?

cM. Do you know the story of Icarus, who travelled too far away from the sun and began growing wings and other deformed limbs? Sun,

Where were you when the fat men and the big boy fell from the sky? What a splat they made.

OM. You are selling us hot mushroom watches that you claim will keep on ticking even after being stomped on by elephants and ripped open by earthquakes.

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Sun. Death has a good memory and doesn't need to cut notches in its long walking stick.

OM. Electric meathall slicers. Electric mouth opasars. Sun.

Something you thought we had lost capturies ago. By the banks of the Ohio siver lettuce bed, a huge and ancient piace of pumpernickel bread suddealy surfaces baneath Simmar's floor, and moments later, as very involved helicopters lower the second all-important pinc of rys from the sky, and the world witnessas the birth of the absurdity sandwich.

> You don't want any mayonaise, do you, Mistar Jones? CHAIRMAN BECHHOWFER: Colean Nunn.

MS. NUNN: I om a little mora serious. Gentleman, I am concarned with cancer cancer and human life, I have had the recent misfortun of losing my mother to this dreaded disease. I presently have the double misfortune of having an uncle who is fighting saukemia.

My mother's constant refrain in her last months was how did I get this disease. What did I do wrong? And she agonized with theose questions,

Of course it is an unanswerable question to most cancer victims. There are a few occupations where it is clear that there is a correlation between the occupation itself and cancar incidence. Plastics, pasticidas, other chamical. plants, radiologists, uzaniwa miners, and nuclear plant workers. DB6

And now it is soming to the surface that people can be in the wrong place at the wrong time. They can just live near an atomic weapons tasking program and suffer from fallout.

public health, then it seems to me that you would not license another nuclear power plant until you can guarantee the populous that they will not incur canous from this industry. It seems to me you can not do that now. The health regulations on the industry are too few in number and they are too experimentally written up at this time.

Enforcement is even weaker yet. It is too sporadic, too lanient and it is generally rescaive rather than proventive.

that my mother did not due as a result of the nuclear power industry. The present permissible level of stronium 90 in milk may have been the strone that broke the back. It may have been too high for her, given the background radiation that we all undergo right now and given the fact that she had a substantial history of illness and x-rays. She may have eaten food irradiated unknown to her or to food inspectors. She may have been exposed to a lasking radioactive materials transport vehicle which any of us can be exposed to driving all 19 any freeway. May of these things could have pushed her bay ad her threshold.

Gentlemen, this industry is growing too rapidly,
too much so for as to had like dangers soon enough to
protect ourselves from 10. In the beginning the scientists
and designers and government officials all really truly
and I believe standardly to ought there was not going to be
a risk of radiation coming from power plants and they real
believed there was an est exally low risk of a large accident
Well, we have some experience now, we are 35 years more
knowledgable, we have 70 power plants that we can learn from
And we have had one large nuclear power reactor accident.

And it is clear now that here is a very great possibility
and some argue a probability of disastrous accidents

happening once every ben same,

ongoing operation of austral power plants does cause cancer.

I would refer you to Dr. Ethese in the audience who don't know him or for any of you who may not know of him, let me give you some of his credentials. He is presently for the past the University of Pittsburg, Prior to that he worked for 15 years for Westinghouse Research Laboratories as an advisory physicist. He has studied radiation effects on human health for 18 years. And in the past three years he has become convinced that nuclear energy industry must be shut down, it is too dangerous. He has studied spacifically 17 nuclear

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power facilities. And through all of these studies he has come up with the same evilence, there is a pattern of infinitive increase in infant mortal by and cancer for all ages proportionate to how close you live to a nuclear power facility.

plant graph that I have here in dront of me just as an exacte. Studies from 1970 to 1975, from the beginning of the plant and for five years after that, they that is the town of Waterford, Connecticut there was a 58 percent increase in cancer mortality. That is a town of 5,000 to 10,000. Time miles away there is still a 43 percent increase in the cancer mortality. Fifty miles away, which is essentially comparable from Cincinnati to Moscow, there is still a 37 percent cancer mortality rate increase.

These kind of statistics he found over and over.

And he can also speak to another scientist who has done
a similar study, who found the same thing which occurreborates
his evidence. That person is Dr. Morris DeGroot from
the Department of Statistics at Carnegia Melon.

I wish to quous a statement by Dr. Starnglass that he made in testimony at the Genera Honkich versus Joseph Headrick case, I believe in the spring of last year. He said: "I do not rely upon projections. I do not rely upon any linear hypotheses or quadriatic or superlinear hypotheses. We rely solaly upon a comparison between a city which has



suddenly had nuclear power operating in it, before them and had a coal plant or an oil plant in it and afterwards, suddenly, for no other explainable reason, that has yet been advanced by anyone in the industry or in the Atomic Energy Commission, or at NRC there was a sudden and spexplained rise in infant deaths in leukemia, and many years later in various types of cancerns.

Then when in some cases a plant was shut down or modified or the fuel rods changed when they were leaking, there was a drop in infant mortality. In the case of Dresdan, I have seen this twice, when the fuel rods were renewed and failed to leak, then infant mortality declined again. When the began to leak again, the infant mortality rose again and when they repaired it, it declined again.

"Therefore I believe, to the best of my scientific judgment, it is much more probable than not that these deaths are directly attributable to the operation of these nuclear plants."

Gentlemen, I wish to conclude by saying the people of Cincinnati were not informed of this increase in concer incidence that we were going to have to accept. In fact, had we had the opportunity to chose, we would surely have voted it down, because we already have a cancer incidence rate in Hemilton County that is 20 percent greater than the national average. We received just days ago



applied to bringing that rive down to at least the seriously average. Cosm is still a unplaying the reality of this commons future for us, as I believe you gentlemen are also. But the information is getting out to us, and we was getting angry. Angry that we had no choice, angry that we are are also, were and are continuing to be misland about the dangers, engry we are having to pay for these plants and for our own insurance that we are likely not to ever benefit from and angry this madness is continuing to watche, despite all acommulating and permussive evidence we ought to drop the whole business now.

cantilemen, you so in a position that can put the brakes on and I beg you to do so. I make this statement tonight in memory of my mother, who would be down here herself if she only could be.

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CHAIRMAN BECHHOEFER: Mel Stampe.

MR. STAMPE: Good evening. My name is Mel Stampe and I am a citizen of Cincinnati. I don't have a prepared statement tonight, but I'd like to express concerns that I have on the issue of nuclear power.

It seems to me that this whole proceeding is one of my major concerns; the cards are fairly obviously stacked against the opponents of nuclear power -- Zimmer in particular.

I'm sure you've all heard o'er and over again the kinds of statements that have been made so far this evening, earlier today and yesterday, and yet it doesn't seem to get through.

I'd like to respond very briefly to a news report.

I heard about one of yesterday's speakers. I believe he was
a nuclear engineer or a professor of nuclear engineering. He
expressed concern over the results to the society of not
building nuclear power plants.

It seems to me the dangers are greater if we do build them. He referred to the fact that we need the energy they will provide.

Well, he overlooked some facts that a man named Amory Lovins (phonetic) has produced.

He used numbers that are generally accepted by the utility industry and he came to the conclusion that 302 3 we don't need nuclear power because we don't need electricity.

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energy in this country in the form of electricity. And and if we look at it, how many things we do without electric tyhat cannot be done any other way, it's only 5 percent percent -- I'm sorry, 3 percent.

The other 5 parcent is being used for things
like heating houses and bot water. So it seems silly to
tak, the risks involved in something like a nuclear power
plant when we don't really have to have the electricity. Whe
we need is a source of heat and the best source I know of for
that is a thermonuclear reaction that's 95 million miles away
and that's what I feel is the safest distance possible.

Thank you.

CHAIRMAN BECHECEFER: Debbie Parm.

MS. PR'M: My name is Deborah Parm; I'm a resident of Clermont County.

Sirs, I would appreciate your undivided attention because I feel that what I have to say is important.

Nuclear energy is not the answer to our energy needs of today or the Supure.

and less empensive to operate. Canada has proven that solar energy is a feasible alternative. Stema boilers are fired by trash and many small towns make use of windmills to generate power. 70 parcent of Canada's power comes from hydroelectric projects.

Meanwhile, back in Clermont County we are constantly being told that without nuclear energy we would suddenly find ourselves sitting in the dark. Non one wants to discuss Austria's only nuclear power plant that was shut down by vote of the people whose money built it before it was even allowed to open.

And I have yet to hear of anyone in Austria reading by candlelight due to lack of electricity. We have been told that radiation release from Zimmer is harmless. This depends on how well the plant operators do their jobs.

Three Mile Island never should have happened, but it did, and there is no guarantee that a major accident will not occur in Moscow.

We must remember that men will be operating inis plant and men make mistakes. The argument is heard that we take many chances in life and that there have been more automobile and aircraft accidents than have been nuclear accidents. The fact that a nuclear accident is of much greater magnitude than aircraft or automobile accidents will not require the evacuation of cities -- will not contaminate large sections of the countryside, possibly leaving it uninhabitable for years is never brought to light.

Nuclear accidents are by far more deadly, not only at the moment the accident occurs but in years to come when the radiation induced cancer and leukemia appear or

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when our children are born mentally retarded or with birth defects.

Nuclear waste if on the increase. TheDepartment of Emergy -- the people in Washington who are responsible for nuclear waste policies now admit that there is no long term policy dealing with nuclear waste.

for Zimmer's wastes are som-existent. Other sites licensed for nuclear waste disposal -- three have been that down due to the fact that the waste his leaked out of storage containers.

How can we even conceive of nuclear power when we do not have the technology to store its waste safely and properly.

the WRC should not issue an operating license to the William H. Zimmer need par plant for nuclear energy is not the answer, as I'm sure man will soon realize.

I fear not only for myself but for everyone sitting here tonight and for our future generations that this malization does not come to light.

I would like to thank two of the three committee members for listening to me.

Thank you.

(Applause.)

CHAIRNAN BECHHIEFER: Paul Wordeman.



MR. BARTH: Mr. Chalmman, if the normal amenaties of courtroom decorum cannot be maintained in the normal process, I move that the hearing be adjourned tonight.

chairman bechniefer: I think the applause should be kept down. That is unappropriate for a courtroom, as I mentioned earlier.

Identify yourself for the reporter.

ms. Wordeman: I too ask that since we have granted you the common courtesy of obeying the rules that you have layed down for this searing and I also grant you the common courtesy of paying attention -- excuse me, I'm very nervous.

Where have we gone wrong? Who decided that we are the most important generation of human beings to inhabit this earth and because of our shortsighted selfishness we can impose the problems of nuclear power on every generation to come until the end of time.

At this moment, tons of nuclear waste is being temporarily stored at plant sites while viable waste disposal facilities in ght; isn't that something like putting up a mult ion space shuttle and not considering the fact that someday it's going to come down?

The nuclear power industry has had two decades to find a solution. This gentleman is still not paying attention. As yet the problem is unresolved and yet you expect us to

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believe that CG & E will have the enswer in a few months; t'at's insulting our incelligance.

who decided that we would be the last generation of human beings to have the generic heritage God intended man to have -- as opposed to the mutations we will be creating in our children and the children.

names and faces; I want such one of you to picture your own daughters and little faces and the Jay they smile, and I want you to imagine the hatred she will have for you when she is told that her baby has no arms or that her bab has leukemia.

she has been emposed to all of her life and all during her pregnancy from the nuclear power plant that her father approved the construction of and promised her mothing more than a better life.

It is a fact that there is no safe level of radiation exposure. I can somewhat understand how you can betray your conscience and deny the results of contrived nuclear accidents, but how can you continually deny facts?

The SALT II troay was thought about most penderously by all concerned. The security and safety of the people were priorities.

Nuclear power plants will have the same devastating



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consequences, even though that they do not how the capacity
to explode like a bomb; radiation can be released and you
cannot deny that.

Which one of you gentlemen has the responsibility of telling God that tornadoes may not go beyond a given threshold of severity, last they -- or that earthquakes will not be tolerated in California.

It's silly, to say the least, and I think it's silly for you to say that these things are impossible.

The Zimmer nuclear power plant must not be allowed a license, and it has problems of its own, such as cable trays to the backty power, as well as those hazards common to an operating power plant.

It is a disgusting idea to think that when you license a plant that you know in your part there is such devastating possibilities, simply because too much money has been invested to let grandbeby with laukemia -- to tell him that he is nothing more than a few pennies of human flesh that must be sacrificed because the utility company had too much money invested.

May God forgive you for the lives cut short because of the accident that you allowed at Three Mile Island and may God condemn you so hell if you ever allow such a thing to happen again.

Thank you.



CHAIRMAN BECHECKFOR: Ms. Sheri Porter.

MS. PORTER: My name is Sheri Porter, and I am a resident of Clermont dounty. I am opposed to the licensing of the Simmer nuclear power plant.

We have been lied to by CG & E concerning the safety, the economics, and most of all the necessity of nuclear power.

earlier this week in which they attempted to assure the public that nuclear power is safe.

This ad was composed of half truths and vague genralities which would appeal only to someone uninformed of the dangers of nuclear power.

The public has been frightened by CG & Z into believing that without nuclear power we will all be sitting in the dark, and that in my own community right now there is a home which produces between 50 and 60 and 75 percent of its energy needs by means of sclar energy.

Nuclear technology is totally unforgiving. If you find years from now that the dangers of nuclear power are too great, what then will we do with the radicactive waste?

We will have made the decision for future generations.

In the final analysis, what does a nuclear power plant do except to boil water to make steam to turn a turbine, and this seems to me a very exctic and horribly dan\_arous

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Thank you.



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CHAIRMAN BECRIO FER: Robert Gadart.

member and local representative of Friends of the Earth, which is a worldwide organization promoting the philosophy of environmentalism. I am also a citizen of Cincinnati, and a customer of CGAE. At this time I wish to present three proposals to be considered and acted upon.

Proposal No. 1 - In the past hour or two, you have heard numerous opinions from the general public. This is only a small sample of those citizens who are concerned about this issue. By the end of the hearings, you will probably only hear the opinions of approximately 1/100 of 1 parcent of those you affect through your decision -- 1/100 of 1 parcent representation:

you, by the press, and by others, as "emotional." But I ask you, how can we be anything but emotional, since our money is being spent on something that many of us believe to be harmful to our lives? How can we be anything but emotional when we, consumers of CG&E, are not properly represented? Only those you hear today will probably be heard, and these are the boldest and bravest to speak out. There are many others who wish to have a voice, but cannot come to the mike for some reason or another.

Many are concerned about how CG&E spends our money. I give CG&E 5 percent of my yearly income, plus unknown amounts of



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tax subsidies. I want a voice as to where that 5 percent of my money goes.

I ask the NRC to more fully consider the voices of the people. I ask you to be willing to hear us in other forms; two in particular.

I ask the staff of the NRC to be open for letters and telegrams from the concerned public -- those who wish to speak, but cannot speak here tonight.

Furthermore, I ask that the NRC delay the hearings until the fall elections where I propose that an issue be put on the ballot. Do we, the people, want Zimmer to be licensed?

Tes or No? Let the people be more fully represented in this very important decision. Let the people speak out.

Proposal No. 2 - To the citizens of Cincinnati, to City Council, and to private businesses; the US government, through our tax dollars, heavily supports nuclear energy, with very little support to other forms such as solar energy.

A comparison taken from Fiscal Year Budget Reports
shows that federal expenditures for nuclear fission up until
1975 was 98.68 percent as opposed to solar energy's 1.32 percent.
If anybody claims that solar energy is unrealistic, look at these
facts and see a very unuser scale of subsidies, starting in
1954. Furthermore, solar energy would supply five jobs to every
two in nuclear energy. (Source: Sun by S. Lyons, FOE Books,
1978)

promote safer forms of energy such as solar, and to promote conservation measures taken by concerned keepers of this earth.

I ask City Council to begin work on such a proposal, to be voted upon in the fall elections.

Proposal No. 3 - To those concerned citizens who wish to show CG&E that we want a voice: I propose a voluntary blackout every Sunday at 5 p.m. for 15 minutes. CG&E will notice if there are many of us who refuse to use their service for 15 minutes each week. Pull the main circuit -- your refrigerator will do fine for 15 minutes.

Show CG&E that we care about our money and where it goes, and we care about our lives. Join us each Sunday at 6 p.m. and cut CG&E out of your life for 15 minutes a week.

(Applause)

CHAIRMAN BECHHOEFER: Please, no appäause.

Pat Martin.

MS. MARVIM: Thank you, gentlemen. I am Pat Martin, citizen of Cincinnati and member of CARE and several other organizations who have been opposed to the use of nuclear power for many years.

I come before you hoping that my remarks may in some way influence your thinking so that you will determine not to license the Zimmer plant to operate on nuclear fuel as a power for the Cincinnati Gas and Electric Company at Moscow A phical

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Being neither doctor, scientist or engineer, I have to approach this subject from the point of view of which I am capable. There are two reasons that I'm opposed to the plant which I would like to present to you tonight.

First, the Zimmer plant must never use nuclear fuel because of the power to create or produce the most powerful toxics known to man out of this material known as uranium. This knowledge is, I believe, well established and I trust you will allow me to start out on this premise.

The nuclear waste begins with the mining of the uranium in the Rocky Mountain states of Wyoming, Colorado, and New Mexico. After it is mined, milled and swiched, it starts its journey all across our country. This transportation is by conventional means. One never knows as he or she passes the great trailer truck on the highway or sees a m le-long train roaring down our railways if it has the potential of wiping out their lives if a wreck should occur. Each week and sometimes every day we read of accidents involving poison chemicals and great numbers of inhabitants have to be rushed from the environment. Should radioactive material be some day on one of these trucks or railroad cars and involved in an accident, the disaster would be catastrophic. And should this nuclear material get to the Zimmer plant, it is not through the transportation era. There was a plan to have the material sant to Chicago, but the reactor up there was never opened. So eventually

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great quantities will be and are planned to be stored at the Zimmer plant, but our government admits of not knowing any way to safely store the radiocutive material.

Last year President Carter set up another commission to report the solution of this problem by October. Since this problem has been with our government for over 30 years, it seems maybe this time wan has created something greater than he himself is able to handle.

I'm reminded of a cartoon I saw; two men were standing beside a great pile of huge containers or drums with seemingly water being allowed to flow over the contents to keep them cool. One man says to the other man," When are we going to get rid of all this nuclear garbage?" The other man said. "Oh. give us another 30 years and we'll think of something."

Waste from both nuclear weapons manufacturing and nuclear power is now being stored in about 200 large underground steel and concrete tanks holding as much as a million gallons each. The radioactive intensity is so lethal that if only three gallons were distributed equally among the entire world's population this would suffice to reach in every one on earth what is considered the danger point in radiation for the human body. Yet we already have in those buried tanks 100 million gallons of such wastes and apparently intend to go on producing it at an ever increasing rate. These storage tanks require most elaborate perpetual care. They not only need power

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to cool them, but new banks must be inscalled about every 20 years on through the centuries to replace old manks damaged by radiation.

There's a question of cost, too, related to the storage of nuclear waste. It has been said that a plant the size of Zimmer would have to pay the government about two and four tenths million dollars per year for the storage. It was preported the plant would cost \$530 million, but there's been not talk as far as I have seen about what the cost of the storage is going to be.

thought of how a nuclear plant dies. It starts to die the day it goes to work. As a succession of atomic fuel cores is inserted, used and extracted from the plant, the radiation level in the plant structure begins to rise. This is no accident but a normal part of the operation of the plant. Plant employees work shorter and shorter shifts over the year as exposures to rising radiation levels become more dangerous.

After approximately 30 years, the plant must be closed. Every nuclear plant suffers the same fate. It must be closed and sealed or dismantled. It's too old to be used, too radioactive to be destroyed, and too dangerous to be ignored.

The plant must also be guarded because scientists estimate that the poison structure will be a threat for at least 200 years if not much longer. I understand the Simmer plant has put an amount into their todget that they're going to protect the

Timmer plant for 105 years, hoping that that's all the longer it will need to be protected, but that is not the estimate that is given to other plants.

This simmer plant cannot be dismanuled and moved without great expense and enormous risk of exposure to surrounding areas. Due to the thousands of tons of steel and concrete permeated with intense levels of radiation. Sometimes the mothballing of a reactor isn't so easy. The one in France which produced plutonium for French nuclear weapons was shut down 10 years ago and placed under guard, but it has already developed cracks and is leaking radiation. It will have to be dismantled completely and antembed in concrete. Even then the guards will have to stay lescause of the radiation that will still be leaking out.

With only a 30-year life span the problem of the dangerous nuclear plants cannot be put off until later. 15 plants in the United States have already been closed and there disposal is a major problem today. Where are the nuclear plants all located? The answer is simply this: take a look at the map provided by the United States Government and you will see that there were 72 besides the ones now that have been closed down scattered all over the United States and we trust that while you're not granting license to some other places you certainly won't grant a license for the Zimmer nuclear plant to be operated.

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Over four years ago we began to beg them to revert to coal so we hope you can have some influence on them. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN BEC. HOLFER: Russell Bozian.

MR. BOZIAN: My name is Russell Bozian and I'm a citizen from Cincinnati.

First, I want to speak with Mr. Bechhoefer who I know is a lawyer. Mr. Bechhoefer, I'd like to point out that in a way everybody here in this room and in the Chio River Valley are all defendants in a case being brought against us, a case that may result in a hurtful, expensive judgment against all of us sooner or later. In a way, I feel like I'm a defendant in a judgment about to be brought upon me by you and by this system that we are dealing with and I want to remind you of how in this country, in America, a basic right we have is the defendant's right to counsel. If we can't afford a counsel, the state will provide us with one, and I feel that that has some bearing on the NRC's hearings because you know and we know that we are, as Intervenors, required to bring in expert witnesses to present evidence -- I understand that system -- to present evidence to suppor: the contentions we have about the problems with nuclear power.

Who don't have the money to finance 40 witnesses to hang around here until our case can be made and bring in the best people.

In a way, I feel that we are being denied that basic right to counsel.

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not issue any further operating licenses for nuclear power plants, at least until money is made available for Intervenors to help support their cases, some kind of pool of money that we can apply \*o, much like government money is supplied, so we can come in with a good case and get some of that money to try and get some of the witnesses we need to go against five sets of attorneys and 40 witnesses that applicants typically have to bring to bear on the case.

By the way, I would like to ask Mr. Barth, who imagines himself quite a master of the judicial process, if he thinks that a resourceless citizenry without counsel provided by the state is part of that he would call normal democratic process.

Another legal thing I would like to refer you to is sort of an analagous procedert in the Delaney clause which says something about there's no food or drug that we can have in the United States that's been found to cause cancer. I know that's a controversial clause and something none of us like, but I liken that to the "as low as reasonably achievable" idea of radiation. If radiation is carcinogenic, I really subscribe and I appeal to you to subscribe to the idea that we shouldn't allow any carcinogenic either in our food or drugs or from nuclear power, and I think that "as low as reasonably achievable" in the case of the Simmer plant would be to not issue a license at all



in a state where we have over 30 percent -- we have more than 30 per-ent more generating capacity than we need in this area. A reasonably achievable level of emissions from Simmer is zero because we have all the plants we need right now.

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I guess next I want to speak for a moment with Mr. Bright -- is that your name -- I want to talk a second about the sexuality of nuclear power and a little bit about the history of science, and appeal to you as a scientist - and I myself am kind of a scientific American from a way back. When I think of science and the way things have progressed from time immemorial, I think of thing like Galileo and Copernicus and Newton and Darwin. These are people who had a vision of pure science, that they needed to sustain themselves from societal oppression. Sum ival of the fittest was their only law. We operated by our instincts, by reflex are and things. Civilization has come a long way and it was a \_\_ thing to have people who believed in science, people who began to believe in rational manipulation of things, to set up abstract systems that would ultimately have utility in manipulating the environment, to manipulate those systems and study them in a vacuum and say there's some utility in it. And we have seen -- all of us have seen usefulness in these systems in improving our everyday lives.

That vision of pure science and that incredible dedication to science isn't needed so much any more, not that kind of naive kind of science. The training you and I have had



in science isn't needed any more, but it goes on, and as part of our adjusting to the technological explosion all of us have come to make science a work of pleasure as well as of utility.

Which of us does not admire a new car, or the humming of the turbines, the banks of colorful annunciators in the control room of a nuclear plant -- the classical and at the same time slegant transmutation of matter into energy -- the technological society's dream?

I share that with all of you and I want to remind us all of how we think of science as big shiny things which are respected because it's an example of our art and brilliance, but it's not always appropriate.

We've got to start suspecting what our scientists tell us, and what ourselves tell us, which is not coming from just rationality and judgment and statistics and probabilities.

We've jot to remember that those people think of sciences as an art and you and I and all of us do. We have got to be suspicious of ourselves because of the kind of sexuality and artistic pleasure we are getting out of science which is starting to skew our rational judgment. In the matter of nuclear are receiving the same kind of subtle, often sublimated, sexual attraction to nuclear technology.

I mean, do these scientists ever go out on a limb?

You bet they do. We sat here yesterday listening to this young

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away and billions of dollars away. These are the seme people who brought us Project Plovshare where the government was going to start blowing up land and making canals by planting a stream of nuclear weapons across Micaragua to make a canal. They scuttled that project. Ilearned about that project in the fourth grade and I liked it. It was big and clean. I also liked submarines and I liked a lot of things, but I gray out of it.

I'm trying to make myself find my pleasures elsewhere now. These are the same people that brought us GE's atomic airplane, an asinine project that tied up scientists and a lot of money for five years -- an atomic airplane?

Six, you know the difference between good blackboard science and good work. I ask you to display that knowledge. Or do you approve of engineers' work that includes plants that are built where they're not needed, backup systems that are not independent of the systems they back up and engineers more interested in sexy circuitry than admitting that work needs to be done to explore alternatives, such as the increasingly cost effective solar alternatives. I refer you to the U.N. finding that \$1 billion is needed for practical photovoltaic RED and the pressure of developments like those in this article on fuel cells.

on fuel cells. The technology is coming for alternatives. Where is the work being done? The U.N. says \$1 billion to develop photovoltaic cells, probably more rost effective for the consumer and probably about the cost of Simmer. Well, that wore than

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any more. What does it mean to any of you here that 50,000 people disd yesterday in accidents -- you say, "Wow." Then you say 51,000 people died in accidents and that doesn't mean anything. We're all losing track of the numbers. Our intuition isn't working any more.

Systems Thinking. We all know about the increasing instability of ever more complex systems, the need for ever greater internal support systems and impossible component reliability requirements. We know about the invalidity of that reliability calculations that assume complete independence. Take a look at Davis Besse's on-line duty cycle. What is it -- 40 percent? I appeal to your scient life integrity, sir.

Mr. Hooper, I'm alsost talked out. I don't have much more to say except I have noticed that you, sir, have been struggling today with the incredible mound of figures that have been in front of you and I want to remind you of some things that didn't get by me and really I don't think got by you, some sort of slants we got today — that point that Mr. Woliver raised about scheduling drywell pump releases during the time the schools are closed and the lawyers saying there are going — e staggering costs in delaying the plant. They didn't — want to mention that with more than 30 percent overcapacity in this area already, whenever Zimmer shuts down, those revenues could be

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made by salling electricity from other plants.

I am not saying I am an empert in nuclear gover, but I know you. I have seen you question statistics in the nearing. You and I know the way things can be juggled. I want to remind you that by no means are the Applicants, those sice educated people, above any kind of juggling for noney. We all like money.

took the trouble and great embarrassment to address you all personally. I know what it is like, you must travel all over the place, and how important your jobs are. But I want to remind you that there are people like me, and the other 100 out there, who pay attention to you personally, individually, and pay attention to you. I noticed some things about your personality, your individuality, and I want you to know your job seams something to all of us, and that people are keeping track.

The politics are becoming all right for the denial of a license. I know that it's the worst thing that could happen if you guys ever denied a license because whatever grounds you used people could pick up on that and try to shut down the other ones. It would be an incredible precedent. But right after Harrisburg you guys could do it once. Don't worry about massive shutdowns right away. These people can clog up the courts for years trying to have people like Leah Rosik, coming up with a \$13 budget, trying to challenge nuclear power plants.

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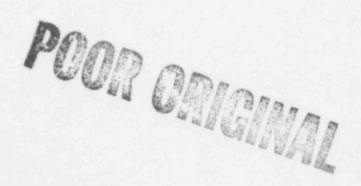
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So don't wormy. Shut one down. My God, you could set a precedent for being a government agency not accused of having revolving door policies, being pawns, toads and sluggards.

I appeal to you. I don't mean to insult you. I am playing to everybody a little bit, but I want to ramind you all of your job and appeal to your integrity.

I have read about, like in Minnesota, people were dismantling power lines. If this thing goes on long enough, we start to be accountable to our own citizenry. There is an incitation to civil disobedience that comes from a certain level of disregard for a widely perceived wrong. And I appeal to your humanity, and appeal to your strength to stay by your job.

Thank you.



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MS. FICETER: Sellore I speak, I would like to eak everyone, aspecially Mr. Barth -- Mr. Barth, and you listening, six?

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MR. BARTH: Mr. Chairman, will you direct the passon who makes a public apparence to 10 CFR 2715, they are making a public statement and are not here to argue.

I would appractable some modicum of descrum.

MS. FIGHTER: I didn't ask you to argue. I want to speak to the irresponsible was of radioactive substances.

Years ago they had fluoroscopes in shee stores and children played with them as they looked at the bones in their fact.

As the knowledge of radiation graw, they eliminated the fluoroscopes in the shee stores.

For years they placed wass on the streats and x-rayed the population for TB. As the knowledge of radiation graw, they eliminated the x-ray wass.

They used to allow pregnant women to be x-rayed.

In fact, my older sister was very ill and was n-rayed frequently. When my mother was pregnant with me, they allowed here to sit in the room with my sister during the x-ray.

By the time my mother was pregnant with my younger brother and sister, they no league allowed her to sit in the x-ray.

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room. I hope I am okay. They had become aware of the dangers of radiation to the fatus.

when my sister was nine years old, my parents received a letter from the head of the Radiology of Cincianat Childrens Hospital listing the amount of diagnostic x-rays she had received. The letter stated that my sister should have no more x-rays unless her life was dependent upon it. My sister is now 25 years old, and three doctors have told her that she should never consider having children because they would likely be deformed because of the x-rays she has had.

In the time interval since the last meeting of this NRC group, my uncle has called us. He lives in Washington, D.C. He is dying from cancer of the liver. He has two large extremely radioactive growths on his liver. Some years ago he was given a highly radioactive substance called Thorotrast. We have done some research on Thorotrast and I would like to read a little about it.

Thorium dioxide. Collodial solutions of thorium dioxide have been used as neway contrast media for examination of the liver and spleen, for arteries and occasionally for outlining the cerebral vertri 'es. Its elimination is very slow and incomplete. It's radioactive half life is 1.41 times 10 to the 10th year. I think that is a billion years. This accumulation is described are there is strong avidence to suggest that the ensuring prolonged exposure to its.

radiation can be a contributing factor in the davelopment of malignant diseases, many years after its administration.

Of 1,100 patients given thorium diomids -- more were given it, but they have this test -- of 1,107 patients given thorium dioxide, between 1930 and 952, primarily for the radiological visualization of blood versuals, 700 had died and 408 were alive up to the end of 1961. It was considered that the use of thorium dioxide was never justified in patients with a life expectancy of more than two years. The doctors that a life expectancy of more than two years. The doctors with a life expectancy of more than two years. The doctors that he may be the last one alive with this Thorotrast. Evidently several thousands of people have been experimented on with this Thorotrast and since died or are dying.

auclear groups at hearings and Leatings, they bring forth a radiologist who proceeds to tail the public that he has handled radioactive materials for 30 years and it didn't hurt him, and he says other things like that. My mother approached one such radiologist who had testified for the Gas and Electric that radiation hadn't hurt him for 30 years. She tall him about my uncl) and he knew immediately that my uncle had been given Thorograph. My mother questioned him as to why, with his knowledge of this dangerous radioactive substance, and what had been done to many patients, would he play down the dangers of radioactivity to the unknowledgeable public. He raplied, and I quote "The public can read

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about Thorotrast; it is all in the Facords.

This was a crass statement, because the public has no knowledge of Thorotrest, nor many other proven extremely dangerous radioactive expeniments and projects. Even four M.D.s I asked had no knowledge of Thorotrest. This is just another example of the public getting doses of radiation and not realizing the results until years later.

I would also like to speak about the elementary school situation. My sister has attended the elementary school. My sister also lives on our farm which is five miles from the Zimmer plant. They released balcons from the plant that want in the direction towards our farm. My sister weighs 65 pounds and she gets ungasturized milk from our milk cows, vegetables from our garden, meat from our steers, water from our roof, honey from our bees, wool for clothing from our sheep and she breathes air hovering over our farm. The Gas and Electric witnesses have been talling us for days, for two days, glibly about the radiation children are going to get. My sister, Morgan, is going to get it, and I see no indication that these men have any conscience. They are interested in money, not in children. I have doubts if they would even be concerned if their own children were involved.

Why are there no women or mothers involved in these decisions? You are playing a game with the lives of our children. Mr. Barth acts like it is a game of one-upmenship



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in a mining town in Wales, a huge pile of slag avalanced on top of a school building. It killed avery child in the school. This consisted of a whole peneration of the children in that town. Only one child survived and that child was home sick from school. The reports of the catastrophic accident said the several townspeople had goes to the mine owners and expressed a fear that the slag might go over cuto the school. That

I am wondering if the townspeople considered the time owners as "experts". Did they day "They are smart, they know what they are doing?" Did they include the children in their cost-benefits? Now did it happen that some of the children were those of the mine owners? Was there a linear theory and a threshold theory involved with these children?

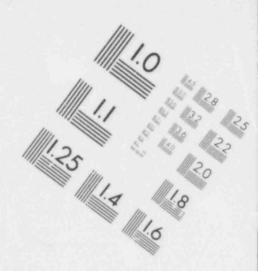
I would like also to speak to the idea that more and more doctors and medical students are recognizing the dangers of radiation and more of them are speaking to the danger.

103 medical students in one class presented their objections to the National Regulatory Commission. I would like to read some statements made by Dr. Arthur Sakler, who is the international publisher of the Medical Tribune from the June 20, 1979 issue.

CHAIRMAN BECH DEFER: Me. Fichter, are you fairly close tothe end? Because you have had ben minutes at pady.



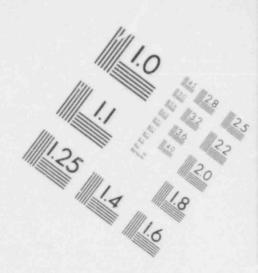
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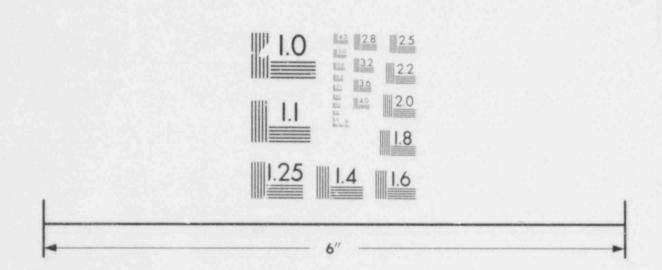


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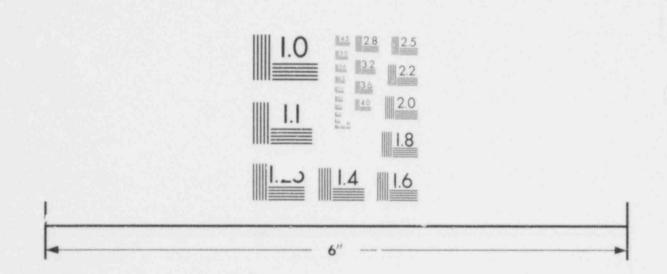


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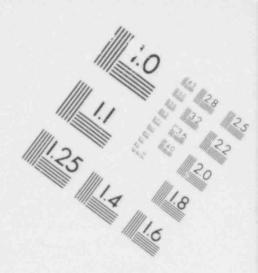


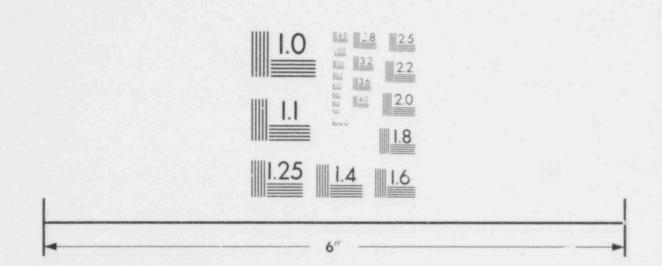


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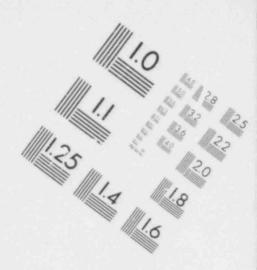


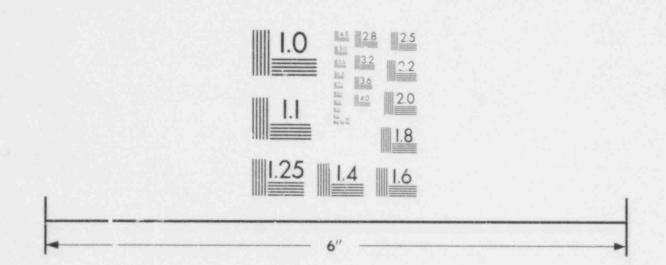


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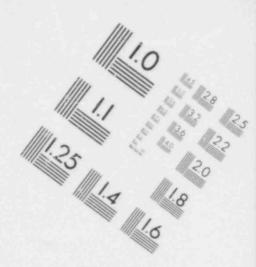




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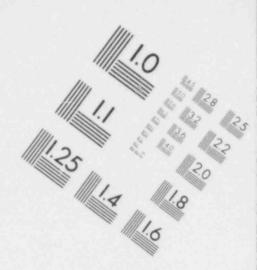


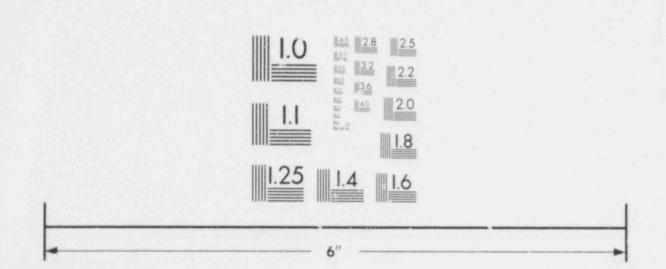


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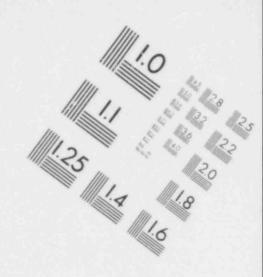




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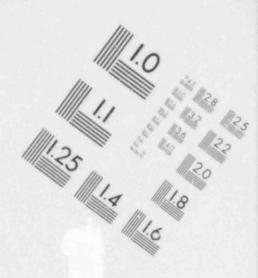


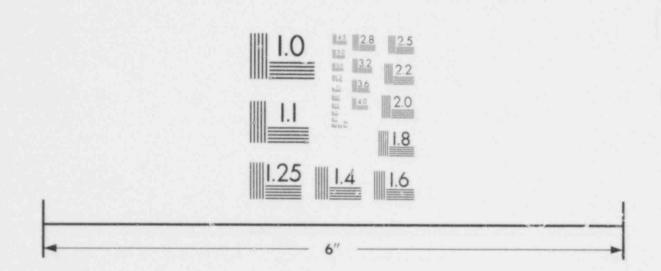


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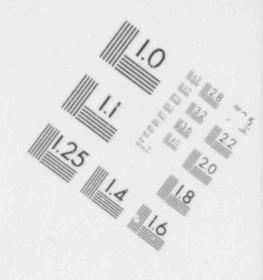




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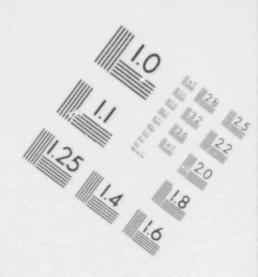


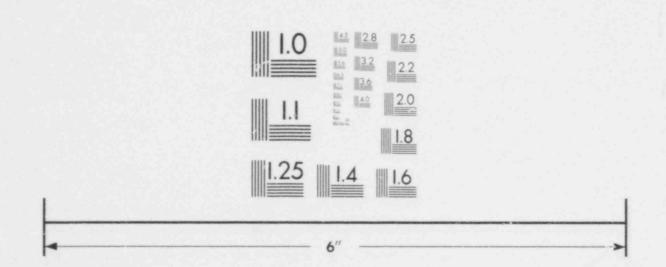


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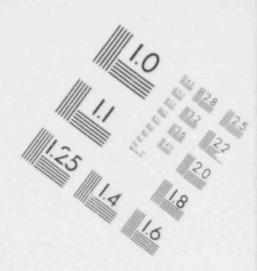


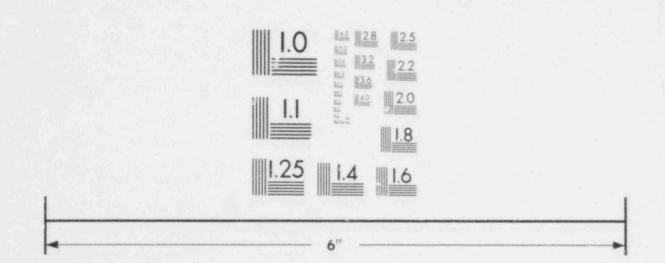


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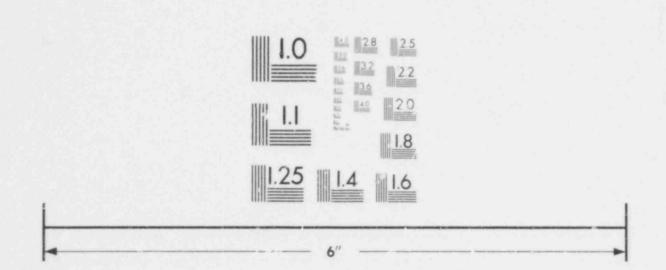


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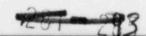
these have been or whether or not they are called, quote reportable unquote occurrences. I do not know if many or nost such reportable occurrences have related to doctors or drugs. We would have heard of them long ago. The question arises where were the newspapers and where were the investigative reporters before the night-marish opecter of the Three Mile Island auclear plant which filled the headlines. I can not understand how one can baild an atomic energy plant on or mear a geological fault line which can compound any catastrophe of a significant quest. Not government regulatory action and government effects to assure safe kisposal of nuclear wastes without which mapkind can not safely obtain the benefits of nuclear power have been conspicuous by their failure.

He goes on to say more. But since I have no more time,
I would like to say I agree with the fallow who said we
should turn off our lights. Like on a Sunday, to save energy
for 50 minutes. I think we should turn to that instead of
building or going shead and allowing nuclear power plants
to be built.

Thank you.

CHAIRMAN BECHEOFFER: Jerry Poffanbarger.

MR. POFFENBERGER: Good evening. My name is Jerry Poffenberger. I am currantly a student at Chase College of



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Law. I am a member of the Simmer community and a member of CARE. My purpose here this evening is to give support to the anti-nuclear forces in the hopes of damying the licensing of Simmer. The citizens of our community have never been asked by means of the ballot box or in any other capacity to give support or non-support to this technical monetrosity called Simmer.

As these hearings have displayed, the experts can not agree as to the environmental impact that Zimmer would have on a short-term or long-term basis. Yet you are being un. ' ~ license it.

On June 3, 1979 I participated in the largest peacetime protest to date against Simmer nuclear power plant in Moscow.

After the walk was over, and all of the speeches worse heard, with shundred others or so I stood by to land support to those dedicated people was were physically arrested for their beliefs and peaceful actions.

During this time I stood must to a man who described himself as just an observer. And he told ma that he was currently a plant supervisor at limmer. Isonically he said to me and I later confirmed he held a similar position to that of the actor Jack Lemon in the controversial movie "China Syndrome." This was indeed a unique experience, because for the first time I could speak to a knowledgable individual, not in an expensive newspaper ad or a public consument from CGaE.

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In my discussion with him, he said he was forced by means of his position with CCGE not to oppose Simmer and confirmed that he know Simmer inside and out and said that he had several reservations concerning this livensing. He explained that the plant was not exempt from having catestrophic accidents.

Being inquisitive, I continued to ask questions.

However, I called someone over to witness the conversation.

I have been known to carry tape recording equipment before.

However, I didn't expect this unexpected event. In ending kthe conversation, I asked this gentleman a very pertinent and a single question: To the best of your knowledge, is this nuclear plantsafe? In a soft yet determined voice he said:

"I hope, but I just don't know."

Thank you.

CHAIRMAN BECHEDEFER: Ms, Marjoria Sauar,

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But recently I've been hearing a lot of talk. things that I have been hearing doesn't make me feel very good.

One person who as said that he has worked on many construction jobs, but he has never worked on a construction job that is as ratty -- that is as poorly constructed as Zimmer.

Another person has said that as soon as his job is done at Zimmer he intends to get his family and himself on a bus and get as far as -- as far away as possible before the plant opens or the plant has the fuel in it.

I also heard that they're going to start it and then fix it after they find out where the trouble is. All of these things upset me very much. Also, the workers have been warned that talk away from the plant will get them fired. I can understand this, but there has been very, very much talk.

I realize that this is all hearsay, and I realize also that where there's smoke there's fire, and I consider that I live much to close to the fire for comfort, but this kind of talk -- this kind of talk really frightens and 303 0 confuses me very much, and it doesn't confuse or frighten me

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anymore than the things I see and hear at meetings that I have attended since I have become a member of ZAC:

I have seen people in very important positions
that are more worried -- this is at meetings -- about what
the public will think of them in doing their job. Politicians
have made promises and viewed the NRC that is supposed to
be protecting us -- yet you have licensed every plant and
you will probably license this one.

It's horrifying to me that men in important positions in constructions jobs and sites would push to get to job done in order to save money, in order to -- something as important as a nuclear plant.

I can undersand this may be a building that might collapse and fkill a few people, but a nuclear plant that could kill so many people -- it's horrible that men in important positions like yours would license it simply because a lot of money has been spent on it.

I guess you feel we can't afford to waste out money, but we can afford to waste our lives and the lives of our children.

I only have one more thing to say. I didn't find this until recently. Mr. Barth, this is to you; I have been watching you have a couple of days, and I would like to congratulate you on your superb acting ability, your agitation and anguish. It amazes me with the fact that I'm

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sure that you know how this hearing is going to turn out.

And I would like to say that ZAC is planming entertainment in the future to raise money: I would like you to donate some of your time to our cause --

(Laughter)

-- because I feel that it's a very good cause. Thank you wary much.

CHAIRMAN BECCHCEFER: Mrs. Marge Gilman.

(No response.)

Mrs. Nancy Moscli.

MS. MCSOLF: My name is Nancy Mosolf. I've lived five miles from the Zimmer plant. I was recently appalled to learn from an administration that supposedly advocates human dignity and rights for all and from these NRC h arings that I am expendable. My life and the lives of thousands of United States citizens living near nuclear plants are in jeopardy.

In order to samisfy the hims of a soft spoiled American public, a public that has been brainwaned into thinking that it needs every convenience: this in my opinion is immoral.

Ourlives our also in jeopardy because of the greed for power and money of the oil companies and the utilities.

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this country is no longer governed by humanity;
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This is insatiable. When other Americans look to the future, most of them think of security and freedom; I look to the future with fear, fear of increased incidence of cancer and mutation from the low level emissions daily of the odorless, tasteless and colorless monster.

The nuclear industry has unjustly dwn played the effects of low level emissions near nuclear power plants because they new the American public would be outraged. This on their part is immoral.

And one other feature is nuclear proliferation continuing; humanity will be controlled by an unpredictible and uncontainable radicactive wasts.

The anarchy of Hitler will seem as child's play in contrast -- in contrast to the destructivewaste. I call challenge you, the representatives of the NRC, to look beyond the dubious short term gains of nuclear power, to free yourselves from the money game, to realize the unethical powers that you have assumed in classifying a whole people as expendable and to consider the only just course for every citizen in this country and that is nuclear mortorium.

Thank you.

CHAIRMAN BECHHOEFER: Mrs. Debbie Gilmore.

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MS. GILMORE: By name is Debbie Gilmore, and I am also a member of EAC. Timmer Area Citizens.

35 years ago theme was a lot of excitement concerning auclear energy.

It seemed them that finally we had found a solution to the ever-increasing demand for energy; however, in this excitement many things were overlooked, postponed or just weren't known. We still face the same problems.

Many problems are overlooked or ignored by the electric and construction companies such as the Welling controversy we've been hearing so much about or the fact that radioactive materials will be emitted into the air and the Ohio River.

We are still procrastinating about the important problem of nuclear waste disposal.

The general attitude of "we'll cross that bridge is when we come to it" is taken when -- because there is no safe disposal.

Much is still unknown about this unstable energy source. If it were known, there would not have been over 2800 reportable occurrences in 1978 alone.

Little is stall known about how much radiation or what length of exposure is safe for humans. Even now there is controversy concerning the present permissible annual radiation exposure. HEN Secretary Califano stated that low level radiation has been found to be twice as harmful as

believed to be before.

Any amount of radiation is harmful, so why subject the community to unnecessary risks.

to the energy problem that are not harmful. There are many forms of solar energy besides solar collectors; one example would be turning wastes such as sewage and garbage into methane gas. This is a completely recyclable source of energy and will not run out as long as there are humans.

This is just one idea to replace nuclear power plants.

had an excess capcity of 34 percent last year. So the time required to convert the plant to something other than nuclear would not affect the public demand, and since we are currently paying for Zimmer through our electric bills, CG 4 E will not suffer much either.

CG & E, however, does claim that it would cost \$10,000 a day to the consumers for each the delaying in the hearings has caused the opening of Zimmer.

A precedent should be set at these hearings; we should admit we were wrong about nuclear energy, but the problems far surpass the benefits. The license to Zimmer as a nuclear power plant should be denied, and the way cleared to start the conversion from a nuclear to another safer type of energy producing plant.

Thank you.

CHAIRMAN BECAMORFER: Since we have reached the time we would close the meeting, since we started about 10 minutes late, we'll go until about 10 after 9:00 when we -- I think the building guards will want to close up them. The building is only reserved, theoretically until 9:00 so'clock, but perhaps one or two more at the most.

Mrs. Pauline Kinney?

(No response.)

Mrs. Janica Block.

(No response.)

Mr. Peter Seidel.

MR. SEIDEL: My name is Peter Seidel. I'm an architect and a resident of Cincinnati, and I'd like to talk very briefly about two things.

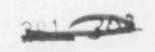
get for the risks that we take. There are acceptable alternatives; one is conservation.

As an architect, I'm very interested in energy conservation, and I've just designed some condominiums that will be heated for about \$125 or \$250 a year.

We now have some energy standards, but they're only a fraction for single family houses of what they can be.

We can drastically reduce our energy consumption.

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And another thing is we can accept some discomfort.

I don't find that I have to live at 72.5 degrees year round; we now have our house at 65 in the winter; I don't find it bad. I don't find it bad living in an unairconditioned house up to 80 degrees in the summer. I will cope with it. I think it's fair. You know, I think there are other things that are worth it. I think if the citizens of Cincinnati had to pay \$10,000 a day to keep the plant closed it would be worth it.

Now, when I look back at the growth of electrical energy , it's doubled. Until recently it's been doubling about every seven years which means it quadruples in 14 -or it has been quadrupling in 14 years. It doesn't anymore. And I saw some figures on the world trade center, and I traced it back to past electrical consumption in the United States and it alone consumes about as much as the whole United States did with street cars, et cetera, in 1920. Throw in Alaska and Hawaii.

I look back as a child and found I didn't live so bad; I don't see why I've got to have something like this nuclear plant. It just isn't worth it.

Now, the other is the credibility of CG & E and the Nuclear Regulatory Coamis ion. I have lived -- I'm talking specifically about CG & E. I don't know about other

in a house much of the time with an uncle of mine wo was a vice president of Wistonsin Public Service Company. He was an temely conscientious man; I always thought of his company as considering itself being a public Itility and wanting to provide good service to people.

architect in several other — other areas of the country, and I've found that the public — the electric companies and gas companies and so on coeperated, were helpful, and so on. Then I came to Cincinnati. The first thing I did is I telephoned to get the meter put in in my name. I got a telephone call that said, "All lines are busy at this moment."

Call back another time."

Well, I felt it must be very busy. I kept calling back other times and other times continually getting the

once I just sat and waited for about 20 minutes and did get through and did get the service put into my name. Then later as an architect, 1 found I had to go to the sameprocess, using up hours and hours of my time to get on the phone to CG & E.

Well, recently this has been connected, but I found this type of cooperationrather difficult.

Now, on a building -- when you want to get electric

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service put into the building, you generally get people in the electric company that will work with you and try to get this put in in some way that works out aesthetically satisfactory, safely, and functions well.

I have found in my experience in Cincinnati -- and

I've heard some other architects give me the same indication -that you design your building and then CG & E comes and

puts the electricity and hangs it on the front of it

wherever they like.

And I've seen terrible things around Cincinnati
I've just found that it's a very uncooperative company,
in particular.

I remember back at some early hearings with

CG & E and some testimony and the city counselor was

a Richard Webb who was here; Richard Webb, who was a

young nuclear engineer who got his doctor's degree on the
safety of nuclear plants, and he had great reservations

about nuclear plants and he said some of the accidents that

can happen are the kinds of accidents that haven't been

designed for. They're mt the kind of accidents that are
written up in the Rasmussen report. Something else is likely
to happen.

He'd also worked in these plants and was very concerned about the lax security control, about many things and he had actually turned -- he had become a nuclear

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engineer because he thought it was the answer to our nuclear energy problem in the duture.

Well, CG & E was absolutely uninterested. He went and talked to them. He argued against their people they would generally send out public relations people instead. They were not interested in what he had to say. They were interested in building a nuclear reactor plant.

They weren't interested at all in hearing that there might be something wrong with it; now, this kind of thing has gone on and on and on.

I look at the past -- our experience with the war in Vietnam. There were some nuts that came up and said, "You know, we're heading down this thing like a railroad than that won't turn back.

You know, it's stupid. How long do we take -- how long do people have to stand up there and sacrefice themselves trying to stop this war before finally we came around to realizing it?

I look at this nuclear business, and it seems like very much the same typ of thing.

How, I look at this whole occurrence that's happening here. I don't exactly understand what it is or why I'm here, after all, because I know the nuclear reactor is going to be built. You know, this is some sort of -- I don't know what you'd call it.

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Simply, we don't ground IC-10s until they've gone down by themselves.

Thank you.

(Applause.)

CHAIRMAN BECHROEFER: I regret that we don't have time to call anybody else.

waiting for over two hours to speak and of have it over at 9:00 o'clock -- now, I think we respected you and you should respect the people that have worked all day and come out tonight to speak to you at this public appearance.

MS. SPRINTZ: (Phonetic). My name is Ellie Sprintz. I probably will not be able to come back here tomorrow, and I have a specific suggestion to make to the commission.

CHAIRMAN SECHNOEFER: I'm not saying we can't take statements in the forthcoming hearing session. We perhaps will have them at a session at some later date.

As of this time, no further statements will be taken.

VOICE: The public vants to be heard.

VOICE: Nov.

(Simultaneous conversation.)

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CHAIRMAN BECHHORFER: I think they turned the air conditioning off here already.

(Applause)

CHAIRMAN BECHOEFER: I'm sorry. We can't conceivably handle all the people that went to speak. At some later date we may be able to set another session.

VOICE: Make a definite date now.

VOICE: Are you not willing to listen to the people's statements? You're not willing to give us a chance to be heard?

CHAIRMAN BECHHONFER: We also have to get back here early tomorrow.

VOICE: So do we. We have to work tomorrow too.

VOICE: Will you answer my question? Are you not willing to let the people be heard?

CHAIRMAN BECHHORFER: We have run out of time.

VOICE: That's not what I asked you.

CHAIRMAN BECHHORFER: I'm not willing to let further people be heard tonight. We may set another date later on.

VOICE: Set it now.

VOICE: Could you please set it now?

VCICE: And at a time when working people can come and everybody can come.

CHAIRMAN BECHHOLFER: Just a minute.

(Board conferring).





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announcement. The Board will attempt to arrange an wening session for next Tuesday evening. We will attempt to see if the room is available and we will attempt to do that. We will also listen to one or two nore statements from people who are from particularly far distances. We will do that, but we do have to prepare for the hearing tomorrow. We have to find out proper questions to ask and we can't do our job if we don't have some time.

VOICE: I'd like comething a little more than an attempt. That doesn't seem strong enough.

CHAIRMAN BECHHORFER: Well, that's what it's gon to be because I will attempt to have this room be available next Tuesday night.

VOICE: At some time if not Tuesday? Will you promise to give it to us some other night?

CHAIRMAN BECHNODFER: Yes, we will certainly do that, but the further hearings may not be -- I don't know how long the hearings will last during this two week hearing.

VOICE: Excuse me. I'd like to make a moulon. May I make a formal motion that this meeting be continued? I wish to make a formal motion that this meeting be continued.

VOICE: I second that.

CHAIRMAN BECHHOUFER: We don't accept motions from the audience.

VOICE: That's the process by which we function, That is the political process by a ich we function.

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CHAIRMAN BECHHOLFER: We acknowledge your request. We are going to do what we can, but we are not going to stay here tonight because we have to prepare for the hearing.

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VOICE: Can they be continued for some other time?

CHAIRMAN BECHHORFER: There will be further sessions.

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VOICE: Will you guarantee us that there will be

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CHAIRMAN BECHHOLFER: During the course of the hearings, but it could be that it won't be for quite some time.

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VOICE: You're quaranteeing us we will have another

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CHAIRMAN BECHHORFER: At some time. I can't guarantee that it will be in the same hearings during this week or next

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VOICE: Will they be in advance of issuing the

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CHAIRMAN BECHHOEFER: Yes. We will hold another

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meeting. Now I can't guarantee that everybody who comes to

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every meeting -- I suppose I could take this list as a starting point of the people.

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VOICE: Why didn't you allow more time for the people?

There will be thousands next time. You're going to have to allow more and more nights for us to speak.

CHAIRMAN BECHRONTER: There's always a certain amount of time we're going to allow.

VOICE: Why shouldn't we all speak? We're the ones who are endangered.

that, but as I say, we will try for next Tuesday. We are also willing to hear one or two people who came from particularly far away, but not more than one or two. We want to get out of here fairly soon.

would only mean you could give a little more time to us who the decis on affects. I don't see why you can't assure us that we can have that time because we're part of this process and wa're being affected by it and I think there should be some kind of guarantee that some time before the licensing is done the hearings are done with that we can have our voices heard.

CHAIRMAN BECHHOFFER: As I say, we will try to meet next Tuesday. I will say that there will be at least one session before the licensing is through. That may not be until next fall, but we will try for next Tuesday.

VOICE: When will you announce whether or not it will

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1 be next Tuesday? Will you announce that tomorrow? 2 CHAIRMAN BECEDEPER: As soon as I can find out. 3 VOICE: May I suggest there are other rooms in 4 Cin innati if this one isn't available? There might be another 5 room available. 5 CHAIRMAN BECHHOEFER: Well, we will try to Little it for next Tuesday. 8 VOICE: May I be one of the persons who speak? 9 CHAIRMAN BECHHOLFER: Well, can you all decide? We 10 will hear two people and particularly we would like to hear 11 people from farthrest away because it was the most difficult 12 for them to get here. If there are people in the back who came from farther --13 14 VOICE: I came from Yellow Springs. 15 VOICE: I'm from Dayton. 16 VOICE: Lat all three speak. CHAIRMAN BECHHOEFER: Okay. You three can speak. 17 18 (Applause) 19 CHAIRMAN BECHHORFER: Would you identify yourself for 20 the record? 21 MS. TULECKE: I'm Hazel Tulecke from Yellow Springs. 22 I haven't got a prepared statement and I probably 23 will stumble, but I have important things to say. About a year and a half ago I went to see my first 24 grandsom be born in Idaho and it was a joyful experience. 25

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another joyful experience. I feel like I will have a part in choosing what future he will have and that we can all have a part in choosing what futures our children and their children and their children and their children can have, and that's as it should be.

year he came and I watched him learn to walk and that was

We can choose not to have the kind of society where because we have nuclear power plants that present all kinds of opportunities for terrorists and so forth that our civil rights are nil. That's the kind we can choose not to have. We can choose not to have a world where war is to be feared because it could mean the end of the planet at any time -- and on and on with ecological issues and so forth we can choose to have freedom. We can choose to have more limited technology but a good life for everybody.

We can make those choices for our children and our children's children and right on down.

Why is it not viry, very clear that nuclear power is dangerous? It should be extramely clear. Why is it not? I think it is not just because it's a highly tachnical subject that I don't understand. If think it's not clear to all of as that it is extramely dangerous because there are certain people who don't want to admit that, certain people who are too taken up with the power that they can gain through the money they can earn because there are billions of dollars to be earned in

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nuclear power for somebody, somehow, for lots of people, and I wonder, I'd like to know you people on the NRC better and know what kind of people you are and so forth. I imagine you're human beings not too different from myself, and I know that there have been times in my childhood where I felt powerless and yet I haven't been poor; I haven't been black; I haven't been oppressed as much as many people in our society have been, and I think it's there that the whole money power thing starts is our feeling powerless and I wonder how many of you have felt powerless in your life and are tempted to just gain an easy buck some way or another in order to feel powerful.

can win in this business of ecology, of going against nuclear power, and of going against nuclear warfare. I think we can win. I think we can get in touch with our power and use it as human beings, as millions of human beings who don't want to see these things going on. I invite all of you on the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to get in touch with that kind of human power that you have and join us in this fight. We may not win in this issue. We will keep on until we do win. We can do that. We have all sorts of means. We are brilliant people. We just have to put our minds to work as we put it to work in getting to the moon and all kinds of places to do that.

One little step I'm hearing -- and I'm not authorized to speak for these people -- but I have heard that someone is





proposing that we withhold 30 percent of our utility payment, 2 just withhold it, just refuse to pay it. We haven't been given 3 other kinds of power, but we have that power. We cannot pay our utility bills or at least say 20 percent as an arbitrary 6.50 figure, and we can encourage others not to do this. Now you 5 could be left out on a limb. What if I don't pay 30 percent of 7 my utility bill and then everybody else doesn't do it and I'm 3 left all alone with my lights turned off? Well, the thought 9 that somebody had was that we would sign a pledge that would say I will not pay 30 \_ cent of my utility bill and then when one thousand such pledges come in we would be notified and at

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CHAIRMAN BECHHOEFER: The second individual?

MR. O'CONNOR: My name is William O'Connor. I'm a graduate of the University of Colorado School of Arts and Crafts I guess. I studied microbiology and now I'm a student of medicine at the University of Cincinnati.

that point we could not pay it. This is just one of the many

hundreds, even thousands of ideas that we can think of and put

to use to express our power, and I'd like to see us all do it and

I have been circulating a petition, a petition for redress of griavances, which is addressed to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. I'd like to read that and submit it.

"Whereas recent revelations concerning the dangers of

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nuclear power generation have evidenced that the risks of radioactive contamination from reactor releases, transportation accidents, and incompetent waste disposal strategies are altogether too great to warrant this industry's further unrestrained proliferation, we the undersigned health care professionals at the University of Cincinnati Medical Center, believing ourselves to have a lifetime commitment to maintain the integrity of human life do strongly urga that Zimmer Nuclear Power Generating Fability located at Moscow, Ohio not be granted an operating license until major progress is achieved in resolving the current controversics pertaining to safety, waste disposal, plutonium safeguards, security, and effects of low-level radiation on human population."

I'd like to submit this.

CHAIRMAN BECHHOEFER Can sive to the reporter. Thank you.

MR. O'CONNOR: Also, an issue that I believe has

been addressed in these hearings is the burden upon which the Cincinnati populace already are faced with with regard to radiation. Northwest of here in Mi misburg, Ohio, there's a place called the Monsanto Mound Facility that is already releasing regularly quantities of radioactive plutonium into this small biosphere we call Cincinnati. I wender if the Nuclear Regulatory Commission has considered the fact that we are also

drinking part of the radioactive wastes from Shippingport which



is also upriver which is also feeding into our water supplies.

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concentrations in this area and one mile from the Mound Pacility it's 60 times greater than the natural background plutonium levels which were believed to be generated as a result of atmospher's testing -- 60 times greater a mile away way not mean a lot, but plutonium as far as we're concerned is forever and we are going to be seeing that turn up in our carrots and in our milk and in the things we cat because it's metabolized quite a great deal, like iron I believe.

hearings as they pertain to Cincinnati because I believe it's important because we are not just receiving the radioactivity from one nuclear power plant that you're preparing to license but we are also receiving it from Monsanto Mound and Shippingport and not to mention the radioactivity that wes imposed upon us as a result of atmospheric testing. I think that should be an issue in these hearings and that is about all I'd like to say.

CHAIRMAN BECHHCIFER: The final individual who wanted to speal?

MS. JEFFREY: My name is Suzy Jeffrey. I'm from Dayton, Chic.

I would first like to read a sworn affidavit of William Gabriel. This is by the State of Ohio, County, of

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"I, William Gabriel, aged 61, residing at 1942 Mt. Holly Rd., Batavia, Ohio, hereby state that I have been a member of Millwright local 1454 for 12 years, and prior to that a Millwright for Trailmobile. Inc., for approximately 28 years; that I worked at the site of the Zimmer nuclear power station at Moscow, Ohio for approximately 2-1/2 years; that I worked for Kaiser Engineers in the field for one year and as a tool crib attendant for 1-1/2 years; and that I have personal knowledge of the facts hereinafter related:

"I hereby state that while working in the capacity of tool crib attendant, two boxes (aproximately 250; of 1-1/2"x1-1/4" stainless steel USS hexagon-shaped nuts and bolts were shipped and stayed in millwright storage facilities. These were to be used in what was called the drag line. The blue prints called for stainless steel nuts and bolts. The life of a regular bolt is not as great as stainless steel; that is, they deteriorate faster.

"After two weeks in storage, I asked Fred Imhoff, a foreman for Kaiser, when these bolts were to be used. He then informed me that Kaiser had went ahead and used regular nuts and bolts because the strinless steel ones were not there at the time bolts were installed. To the best of my knowledge, those stainless steel nuts and bolts were never used for anything."

That's a sworn affidavit. For myself, nuclear power plants create radiation above the background level. Radiation causes cancer. Therefore, nuclear power plants cause cancer.

There Will Come Gentle Monsters, a poem by

Eleanor Learman. There will come gentle monsters unto your

door, sick with rediation, bringing the love that is pure with

atomic cleansing. Keep them as your last children. Oh, lay

thee down my love wild flowers crazed with strontium I will

place in thy hands. Love me, love me, for I am become death."

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I would also like to address the legal dilemna, the spirit of the law, and then the letter of the law. This is my poem, "A War Baby Remembers Hitler." "Thirty-four years later, there are some who admirs berr Fuelmer, especially the ones who talk. He hated snow, frash air, meat. After 1931 millions of Jaws civilian life - liked women ...d uniforms. He took acting lessons from Charlie Chaplan. He was a little guy, the Napoleon thing, had a bad barber, temper, a goose step, sense of humor. His name gives me goose flesh. He techocrozized mass murders, devised the labor so that each one could wash their hands and sleep. The SS staying away from the front, getting rich playing war with starving, sick prisoners, with gas bombs and bullets, the unequal svil of the chosen people versus the master race silhouettsd against crematorium smoke stacks smogging our view. Many prayed. The relatives prayed, but most people didn't believe -- didn't believe because it was legal -- all legal. It was in fact the law."

(Applause)

CHAIRMAN BECHHOLFER: At this stage we are about

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ready to adjourn, but we would like to request the staff to give us a report on the drag line bolt question that was raised, the same one you gave us a report on -- one of them?

With this, the proceeding will adjourn for the evening. We will adjourn until nine o'clock.

(Whereupon, at 9:45 p.m., the hearing was recessed, to be reconvened at 9:00 a.m., Thursday, June 21, 1979.)



