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Mr. Joseph M. Hendrie, Chairman
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Dear Mr. Hendrie:

I am writing to you in my capacity as an Ohio State Senator and as a resident of Northeast Ohio. I respectfully request your assistance in answering our concerns about the Davis-Besse nuclear plant.

It is my belief that the Davis-Besse nuclear powered plant in Northern Ohio should not be fired again by nuclear fuels until the public of Northern Ohio and surrounding areas can be fully assured, through public hearings by your Nuclear Regulatory Commission in Northern Ohio, that:

- 1) There can be no foreseeable risk through nuclear accident to the safety and health of the population residing within the several hundred square miles of the plant site.
- 2) That the basic operating and safety equipment of the Davis-Besse plant is fully certified to be inherently free of operational defect, so much so that there can be no likelihood of a nuclear "accident" or incidence of "human error" where such "accident" or "error" would jeopardize the health and well-being of residents living in the affected area of Ohio.
- 3) That the level of training for those employees charged with the responsibility of keeping the plant operating safely is complete and is specifically certified to meet the strictest NRC safety training requirements.
- 4) That there be a systematic, full, and truthful disclosure of the history of all incidents which have taken place at the Davis-Besse site since its first day of operation which could have, or in fact did constitute, an interruption in operations or a complication in operations.
- 5) That there be a full disclosure of any incidents of the leaking of any radioactive materials out of the fuel containment area or into the atmosphere as a result of the operation of the Davis-Besse plant. How much radioactive material, if any, has been leaked into the environment since the first day that radioactive materials were introduced into the Davis-Besse plant?

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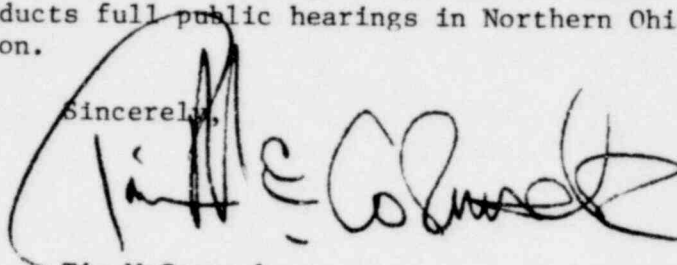
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- 6) Have any people living in the near vicinity of the Davis-Besse plant been subjected to any amounts of radioactivity in their environments which exceed the normal amount of atmospheric radioactivity found in other areas of Ohio away from nuclear plant sites?

I would appreciate having your response to these concerns as soon as possible. I am certainly hopeful that no steps will be taken to again operate the Davis-Besse plant until such time as the NRC conducts full public hearings in Northern Ohio for the benefit of our resident population.

Sincerely,

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Tim McCormack
State Senator

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