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Secretary of the Commission
Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20585
Att: Docketing and Service Branch

Re: TMI Clean-up

Gentlemen:

Perhaps you'll hear from every kook, environmentalist, do-gooder and so on. I feel there is far too much attention being focused on TMI. Tests have proved, so far, that widespread fears have been unfounded. There has been vast organized over reaction. I'm just a little guy and not a member of any group. I don't like to write letters.

Our Lancaster mayor got his 'nose out of joint' because he wasn't 'informed'. There must be some reasonable people who can see the overall blessings of nuclear energy. It seems we would be in a worse situation if we didn't have it. Now I read about all the 'groups' who would shut down TMI entirely. I want to raise one small voice that says let's get on with our business and let the utilities get on with theirs (albeit with regulation). Could anyone blame a utility if they just threw up their hands? They might tell the government and all the kooks, "You go ahead and get your own power" or words to that effect. GPU is being unfairly penalized by not being able to get one reactor back on line.

There are far too many hearings going on now. Every cotton-picking agency, state or federal or what wants to get in the act. Let's get rid of the emotionalism and get on with production.

Very truly,

William F. Bell

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