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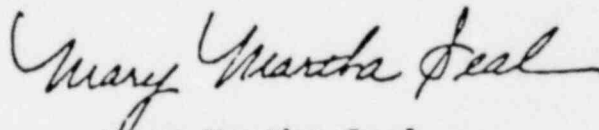
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MEMORANDUM:

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The Hon. Jimmy Carter,
President of the United States of America,
The White House,
Washington, D.C.

Dear President Carter,

I am writing to protest the pressure being put on you, the President, by Virginia State officials, Governor John Dalton, Att'y General Marshall Coleman and the State Corporation Commission, relative to the licensing of N. Anna Unit 2 of the Virginia Electric and Power Company's Nuclear Power Plant in Mineral Virginia.

The licensing of N. Anna 2 is not a political issue. It is a matter, above all, of concern with the protection of the public's health and safety.

The near fatal accident at Three Mile Island was the result of premature licensing, pushed through to save the utility a large sum of money. Safety-wise, the N. Anna Nuclear Power Plant should never have been built at all, sitting as it is directly astride a geologic fault. This has been the cause of many safety problems. Of special significance is the differential settlement of the Service Water Pump house, that supplies the water to the crucial emergency core-cooling system.

In the licensing process, the Safety and Licensing Appeals Board retained jurisdiction over the settlement issue and that of the Turbine missile danger issue. Regardless of these safety implications, Governor Dalton is pressuring you to license N. Anna Unit 2, and Att'y General Coleman has even threatened to sue the NRC unless it licenses the facility.

At a hearing in June before this Appeals Board, the North Anna Environmental Coalition asked that licensing of N. Anna 2 be denied. Now, six months later, no decision has been handed down.

With this as a positive indication of the seriousness of the safety problem, I ask you, President Carter, to provide protection for the people of Virginia, to stand firm against political pressure on this Public Health and Safety Issue.

Sincerely yours,
Margaret Dietrich
Margaret Dietrich (Mrs. A.W.)
Secretary,

The North Anna Environmental Coalition

P.S. This coercive manner on the part of the State of Virginia regarding the NRC is a complete switch, in that heretofore, the State has always deferred to the expertise of the NRC.