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Dear Sir:

The Three Mile Island accident has made the word "melt-down" part of the American vernacular, but the issue has never been fully addressed in hearings regarding Black Fox Station (Inola, OK).

Because we are just now learning the physical and mental effects of TMI on the Pennsylvania residents, many questions are being raised and remain unanswered. Since the possibility of a major accident exists at every nuclear facility, and because we are potential victims of such an occurrence, we would like to request hearings on this subject. We would like to know evacuation plans; how long before the public is notified of an accident; how to evacuate over 300,000 people over the Arkansas River bridge, which is the main exit from Tulsa; what health effects we can expect in ourselves and our children; how long we can expect those health hazards to exist; what protective health measures are available other than the botched potassium iodide drops available (?) in Pennsylvania; where we are to live, if not in refugee camps; who will buy our houses and property if contaminated- and for how much; how will the crops and livestock be replaced if the large agricultural area around Inola is contaminated? Etc., etc., etc.....

Granted, the possibility of a total, catastrophic meltdown is small, but it does exist. Because it exists, the NRC and private utilities have a grave moral responsibility to insure our safety. Most people have little faith in either institution.

We request any and all hearings regarding EFS be open to the public and that there be time allowed for citizen input, with ANSWERED questions. That is, we would like to have hearings that are not shrouded in gobbledegook, but are of a question and answer format.

Problems with nuclear plants are huge problems, indeed. We have a right to know what we are living with. Or if we can live with them at all.

Sincerely,

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