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Gentlemen:

As part of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's investigation into the Three Mile Island accident, we are pursuing allegations that the plant was Frushed into commercial operation in order to achieve certain tax and financial advantages. According to the <u>Washington Post</u> of April 6, 1979, your organization held a news conference alleging such action.

We would appreciate it if you could make available to us a copy of the material presented to the press at that news conference. Specifically, we would appreciate a copy of the letter Public Citizen sent to President Carter, the "study" released by Public Citizen suggesting "that the decision to put the unit into commercial operation was an economic decision that disregarded a troubling record of mechanical malfunctions" (<u>Washington Post</u>, April 6, 1979), and any other information in your possession which might assist us in our inquiry.

It is our intention to investigate seriously all allegations of misconduct or improper procedure involved in the TMI accident. We would appreciate your cooperation in this request so that we may carry out this task.

Please make the information available to David Evans, NRC/TMI Special Inquiry, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, AR-400, Mashington, D.C. 20555. If you have any questions, Mr. Evans can be reached at 492-8947.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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Mitchell Rogovin Director NRC/TMI Special Inquiry

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