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POOR ORIGINAL

Dear Mr. Muller,

I attended last Friday's meeting on the programmatic EIS
of Three Mile Island and made an oral comment. I would like
to supplement it with the enclosed written comment. I would
also like to be put on the mailing list for the EIS and related
information. Thank you for your kind assistance in this matter.

Yours truly,

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COMMENT

I have one comment on the proposed TMI-2 programmatic EIS. Point 12.3 suggests that a benefit-cost balance will be struck in the evaluation of the decontamination, transport and disposal activities. Thousands of people rely on the Susquehanna River for their drinking water and many thousands more rely on the Chesapeake Bay for the seafood they use for nourishment, enjoyment and/ or their economic survival. The decontamination process must in no way jeopardize the lives and livelihoods of these people and any methods that are finally considered must be completely safe beyond any reasonable doubt. Thus, if a benefit-cost balance is used it should only be to evaluate proposed solutions which pose absolutely no risk to the health of the people in the Susquehanna River basin and the continued prosperity of the vital Chesapeake Bay seafood industry.

I realize that Metropolitan Edison is in financial difficulty. The financial future of Met Ed is insignificant compared to the financial future of the seafood industry and the, most importantly, health of the people in the Susquehanna River basin. I fear that some will want to cut corners to save the utility money at the risk of the public health and the long-term prosperity of thousands. It would surprise few people if history finally recorded that cutting of corners caused the disaster at Three Mile Island and I hope that the NRC feels that its role is to alleviate the problem and not to compound it.