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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
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February 15, 1980

Mr. & Mrs. Lee Blaymore
3550 Woodward Street
Oceanside, New York 11572

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Blaymore:

Your telegram to President Carter expressing your opposition to the release of radioactive gases from the Three Mile Island nuclear station has been referred to me for response. I regret that this answer has been delayed. The accident and its consequences have created a substantial increase in the agency's workload, which has prevented us from responding to you as promptly as we would have liked.

The release of radioactive gases from the reactor building of TMI Unit 2 is not currently permitted. Before the gases are disposed of by any method, NRC will evaluate the impact and the evaluation will be made available to the public. The Commission has also decided that concerned citizens should be given the opportunity to present their views orally at a public meeting prior to any approval of proposals to dispose of radioactive gases in the TMI Unit 2 reactor building. By this course of action, we will assure that a thorough assessment is completed prior to release of the contaminated gases and that the health and safety of the offsite population will be protected.

We appreciate your concerns and assure you that every effort is being made to ensure the continued protection of the health and safety of the public.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Harold R. Denton".

Harold R. Denton, Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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Washington, D.C. 20585

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission

FROM: *Christina L. Rathkopf*
Christina L. Rathkopf
Executive Secretary

SUBJECT: Correspondence Referral

The attached correspondence has been misdirected to this Department for reply. Inasmuch as it appears to fall within the purview of your agency, we are referring this communication herewith for your reply. We have informed the writer of this action.

Thank you for your attention.

Mr. & Mrs. Lee Blaymore
3550 Woodward Street
Oceanside, N.Y. 11572

Referred By: Mary Martha Seal
Referral Date: August 16, 1979

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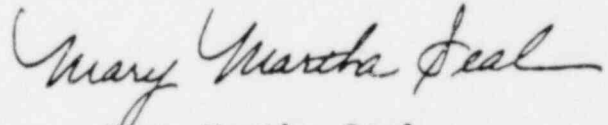
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MEMORANDUM:

The attached letter(s) addressed to the President is referred to your office for suitable acknowledgment or other appropriate handling at the earliest opportunity. Should you receive mail that has been misdirected, please forward to the appropriate agency. I would also appreciate knowing when you are forwarding such mail. My phone number is 456-2717.

Thank you.



Mary Martha Seal
Director
Correspondence Agency Liaison

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IN ORDER TO INSURE THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE CITIZENS OF
PENNSYLVANIA IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT YOUR ADMINISTRATION VOCIFEROUSLY
AND FORCEFULLY ACT TO PREVENT THE RELEASE OF ANY RADIOACTIVE GASES
INTO THE ATMOSPHERE AT THE THREE MILE ISLAND PLANT. DISCLAIMERS OF
GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED AT FACE VALUE (I.E., ANDREW
YOUNG INCIDENT OF THIS DATE) AND WE CANNOT FORESEE THE CUMULATIVE
EFFECTS OF EVEN THE MINUTEST QUANTITIES OF THIS RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL

MR AND MRS LEE BLAYMORE
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