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Dear Director:

I want to express a serious concern and opposition to the action being taken by the Metropolitan Edison Co. at their Three Mile Island Power Plant. I recently learned that on July 26, 4000 gallons of possibly contaminated water was dumped into the Susquehanna River and that no notification of this was given to State authorities, the press, or the public. I assume that this was considered to be a routine discharge and therefore was legal. I ask you

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to consider the possible ill effects of this dumping and thereby tighten the control that your body of government has to insure the safety of the public.

This event of dumping possibly contaminated water is certainly not an insignificant event and probably not even an unusual one. There must be a more efficient and reliable system to control these situations... It is simply morally just to ask for this.

I would like to receive documentation on the purging process at T.M.I. I feel that it should be your duty to inform the public on just how this process is to happen. I certainly hope that there actually is a safe way to clean-up that mess - if there isn't, then we have no business allowing nuclear plants to operate.

I await your reply - Thank you

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