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Mr. Robert J. Quigley  
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Dear Mr. Quigley:

I am writing in response to your letter requesting information about Three Mile Island. I regret that this letter is too late for use in your school report. The accident and its consequences have created a substantial increase in the agency's workload, which has prevented me from responding to you as promptly as I would have liked to.

With regard to history and construction of the Three Mile Island facility, I refer you to the "Final Environmental Impact Statement Related to the Operation of the Three Mile Island Nuclear Station Units 1 and 2". This document should be available in the Government Publications Section of the State Library of Pennsylvania, The Education Building, Commonwealth and Walnut Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17126. Copies of the Preliminary Safety Analysis Report for Three Mile Island as well as Inspection and Enforcement Reports for Three Mile Island should also be available there. These reports include information that may be of use to you. I am enclosing a copy of the summary of NUREG-0600 which should be of interest to you.

The former Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) had a Congressional mandate to develop and promote nuclear energy. When the AEC was abolished in 1974, the NRC was created by Congress for the sole purpose of regulating the commercial production of nuclear energy. The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is now responsible for the Federal Government's nuclear research and development activities. Consequently, questions about the efficiency of nuclear power should be directed to that agency.

Sincerely,

*Original signed by*  
E. L. Denton

Harold R. Denton, Director  
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Encl: Summary of NUREG-0600

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