

## City of Lancaster

Vollmer

Office of the Mayor

Municipal Building 17604

October 2, 1979

TMI-2 Support ATTN: Mr. R. Vollmer, Director J.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555

Re: Three Mile Island Water Storage

Dear Mr. Vollmer:

We have reviewed Mr. Arnold's October 1 letter to you on water storage at Three Mile Island, and we are very concerned that Met Ed is improperly trying to pressure the Nuclear Regulatory Commission into approving the use of EPICOR-II before thorough environmental reviews.

The leakage (which has never been explained to us) has existed for six months. Met Ed could have built additional shielded storage months ago, but decided not to do so. Now Met Ed claims vague "unacceptable radiological consequences" if use of EPICOR-II does not begin hastily. We strongly urge the NRC not to be influenced by this aura of crisis created by Met Ed to cover its desire to use EPICOR-II rather than store the water which is accumulating.

We are somewhat reassured by recent public statements by you and the Commission that there is no crisis, and that the water can be safely stored in Unit 1 or other tanks. As you know, we cannot accept the processing of TMI wastewater before a full environmental review of all processing and disposal alternatives.

Sincerely,

Albert B. Wohlsen, Jr. Mayor