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Mr. Harold R. Denton  
Director  
Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
1717 H Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Sir:

As a concerned U.S. citizen, I would like to take a few minutes out of a very busy schedule to express my views and sentiments on the decision made November 5, 1979 by the Nuclear Regulatory Commissions freeze on issuing construction permits and operating licenses for nuclear power plants.

There are now seven nuclear units awaiting licenses. It is of my opinion that if these units be denied licenses at this crucial period in our energy crises, it will have profound effect on the stability of the United States and would be a very irresponsible decision at this time. Our nation cannot be dependent on foreign imports, oil or otherwise and that's exactly what this country is leaning too, if we are not already there. To deny the public the electric power these plants could produce would be no less than criminal and be a very unwise, ill timed decision.

If this nation is to survive our very real energy crisis it will only be with the help of nuclear power plants. In the next several decades new sources for generating power will be feasible, but until that period, nuclear energy is our most realistic and available power. I do agree that extra safe guards be implemented and strictly enforced to make this source of power as safe and dependable as possible. This can be accomplished by extra efforts made by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, which by the way has been performing a very commendable service. Their decisions, actions, and enforcements in the past have been respected and approved by the American public. There was a lot of finger pointing over the accident at Three Mile Island, but most of it was generated by the dissents and rable rousers evident in every society.

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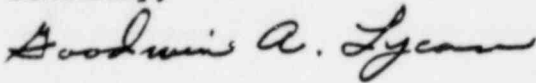
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I do hope the Nuclear Regulatory Commission will not jeopardize their fine reputation by enforcing this unwise decision.

Your consideration of these views in overturning the decision made November 5, 1979, concerning the freeze of licensing nuclear power plants by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission would be greatly appreciated.

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Sincerely,



Goodwin A. Lycan  
President

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cc: President Carter  
Harry Gast (Michigan State Senator)  
Joseph M. Hendrie (N.R.C. Chairman)