Ms. Elizabeth N. Marshall, Mayor The City of York 50 West King Street P.O. Box 509 York, Pennsylvania 17405

Dear Mayor Marshall:

Your letter to Mr. Harold Denton requesting answers to two questions about Three Mile Island has been referred to me for response.

First, I will address your concern about preparation of an environmental impact statement. In a policy statement of November 21, 1979, the Commission stated that the staff would prepare a programmatic environmental impact statement on the decontamination and disposal of radioactive wastes resulting from the Three Mile Island Unit 2 accident. The statement emphasizes the Commission's intention to coordinate its actions on this matter with the President's Council on Environmental Quality and to provide the opportunity for public comments. The programmatic environmental impact statement will focus on the environmental issues and alternative methods associated with the performance of these cleanup activities. Public meetings have been and will continue to be held in the Harrisburg-Middletown area during preparation of the environmental impact statement.

Second, you request that NRC establish a local public reading room at York's Martin Library for Three Mile Island and Peach Bottom documents. NRC has established a public reading room for Three Mile Island documents at the York College of Pennsylvania library, although this collection does not include Peach Bottom material. I am forwarding for their response your request that Peach Bottom and Three Mile Island documents be made available together to the Local Public Document Room Branch of NRC's Division of Rules and Records. Incidently, the State Library of Pennsylvania contains collections of both Peach Bottom and Three Mile Island documents.

I am pleased to provide you with this information.

Sincerely,

Original signed by: Richard H. Vollmer

Richard H. Vollmer, Director Three Mile Island Support

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