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Dear Mr. Bossert:

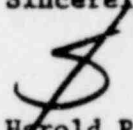
I am writing in response to your letter to Commissioner Hendrie regarding "the dumping of radioactive water into the Susquehanna River." I regret that this answer to your letter has been delayed. The accident and its consequences have created a substantial increase in the agency's workload, which has prevented me from responding to you as promptly as I would have liked to.

With regard to your concern about the release of contaminated water, except for releases of liquids containing only low or nondetectable levels of radioactivity to the Susquehanna River, such releases are not currently permitted. Before such releases take place, the impact will be evaluated by the NRC and the evaluation will be made available to the public. By this course of action, we will assure that a thorough assessment is completed prior to release of the contaminated liquids and that the health and safety of the offsite population will be protected.

As a result of releases containing only low or nondetectable levels of radioactivity, the levels of radioactivity in the Susquehanna are indistinguishable from existing background levels at public water supply intakes from the river. These levels have been confirmed by independent measurements made by the NRC, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

I appreciate your concerns and assure you that every effort is being made to ensure the continued protection of the health and safety of the public, not only at the Three Mile Island Station, but also at all nuclear power plants.

Sincerely,


Harold R. Denton, Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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DEAR Sir:

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Your persistent support of the dumping of radioactive water into the Susquehanna River is an insult ~~to~~ the people of this area. Even without considering the fact that people will be drinking the water, the idea is ecologically ABSURD. How often have we been told this or that is safe; only to find years later that the "exports" were wrong. While the effect of low level radiation are still uncertain any discharge of radioactive waste into the ecosystem is criminal. This type of action on your part represents a MALICIOUS disregard for the well-being of humanity. Let's dispose of this waste properly AND AS PERMANENTLY AS IS NOW POSSIBLY AND let's make little or no more.

Sincerely,
Mark Bossert

NO Nukes

Think Smaller