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Dr. Bernard J. Snyder, Program Director
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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D. C. 20555

Dear Dr. Snyder:

Recently you requested my comments in regard to removal of Krypton-85 from the Unit 2 Reactor at Three Mile Island. I favor purge of the Krypton at the earliest possible date and lowest cost, consistent with a reasonable degree of safety.

Judging from information contained in your publication NUREG-0662 and addenda, decontamination through use of the reactor building purge system in conjunction with the hydrogen control subsystem offers the best alternative.

Not only does this method have the advantages of the lowest cost and fastest decontamination, using known technology, but it appears to be the only alternative that eliminates the possibility of future uncontrolled releases of Kr-85.

I believe that the purge period should be initiated as soon as possible. Thank you for the opportunity to comment about this most important matter.

Cordially yours,

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