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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

April 7, 1980

NOTE TO BILL DIRCKS (NRC)

FROM: ED HELMINSKI  
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Could you have your staff draft a response to the attached letter from Mayor Bill Morris regarding storage of spent nuclear fuel rods at the nuclear plant in Zion, Illinois. Give me a call if you think we shouldn't respond.

Thanks.

City of Waukegan

Waukegan, Illinois 60085  
(312) 689-7500

Bill Morris Mayor  
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February 28, 1980

The President  
The White House  
Washington D.C. 20500

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Dear Mr. President:

I am writing to express my major disappointment at the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board's decision to allow Commonwealth Edison to expand the storage of spent nuclear fuel rods at the nuclear plant in Zion.

Since our community is immediately adjacent to the nuclear plant and our 65,000 residents directly effected, I am urging you to intervene and order Director Harold Denton to not issue the license for this expansion.

Building the plant at this site initially was foolish and allowing any expansion is even more foolish.

The Zion Nuclear Plant is on the shores of Lake Michigan, and a serious accident or leak such as that which occurred at the Hanford Nuclear Reservation recently, could contaminate the water supply, not only for my community, but for all cities in four states which abut Lake Michigan.

I thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

*Bill Morris*  
Bill Morris  
Mayor

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