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Dear Dr. Snyder:

This is in response to your letter of April 21, 1980 requesting comments on the NRC's "Environmental Assessment for Decontamination of the Three Mile Island Unit 2 Reactor Building Atmosphere" (NUREG-0662). Due to other demands on our limited resources, we are unable to perform a comprehensive evaluation of the various alternatives discussed in NUREG-0662. We are, however, of the opinion that decontamination of the Three Mile Island Unit 2 Reactor Building Atmosphere should be completed as expeditiously as possible giving due consideration to any potential risks to the public health and safety from the various alternatives available. We have no reason to believe that the Staff's recommendation to purge the reactor building atmosphere into the environment is not technically sound or environmentally acceptable.

Very truly yours.

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