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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555

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COMMISSION
CORRESPONDENCE

The Honorable Walter F. Mondale
President of the Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. President:

We submit herewith the nineteenth report on abnormal occurrences at licensed nuclear facilities, as required by Section 208 of the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974 (PL 93-438), for the fourth calendar quarter of 1979.

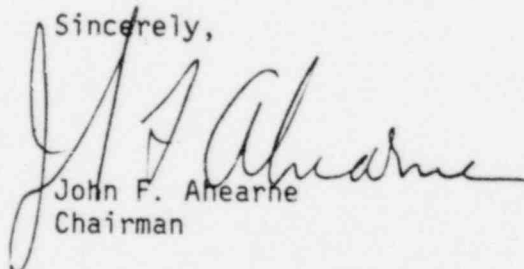
In the context of the Act, an abnormal occurrence is an unscheduled incident or event which the Commission determines is significant from the standpoint of public health or safety. These incidents or events, including any submitted by the Agreement States, are as follows:

1. There were no abnormal occurrences at the nuclear power plants licensed to operate.
2. There were no abnormal occurrences at fuel cycle facilities (other than nuclear power plants).
3. There were no abnormal occurrences at other licensee facilities.
4. There was one abnormal occurrence reported by the Agreement States. The incident involved overexposure of a hot cell operator.

This report also contains information updating some previously reported abnormal occurrences, including an update on the nuclear accident at Three Mile Island.

In addition to this report, we will continue to disseminate information on reportable events. These event reports are routinely distributed on a timely basis to the Congress, industry and the general public.

Sincerely,



John F. Ahearne
Chairman

Enclosure:
Report to Congress
on Abnormal Occurrences

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