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Mr. Benjamin B. Sheerer Rudd, Miller, Sheerer and Lybarger Public Square Building 33 Public Square Cleveland, Ohio 44113

Dear Mr. Sheerer:

I am pleased to respond to your letter of July 29, 1970, concerning the public hearing on the Davis-Besse plant.

The application of the Toledo Edison Company for the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station is presently under review by the regulatory staff and a public hearing on the application is not expected to be held before November or December 1970. The Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, requires that the Commission provide at least a 30-day notice of such hearings, and the notice will set forth the day, time, and place of the hearing, and the procedures by which a member of the public may participate in the hearing either as a party or by means of a limited appearance. I have asked the Public Proceedings Branch of the Office of the Secretary to the Commission to forward you a copy of the Notice of Hearing on the Toledo Edison Company's application when it is issued.

I am enclosing a copy of a Commission pamphlet, "Licensing of Power Reactors," which will provide you with considerable background information on the scope of the Commission's review, and a copy of 10 CFR Part 2, the Commission's "Rules of Practice," which sets forth the various procedures applicable to the conduct of the public hearings. I would invite your attention in particular to 10 CFR \$\$ 2.714, 2.715 and Appendix A.

Sincerely,

Peter A. Morris, Director Division of Reactor Licensing

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