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Gentlemen:

Although we have completed our initial review of the larval fish abnormalities at Arkansas Nuclear One - Unit 1 (such abnormalities had been documented in the ANO-1 Semi-annual Environmental Monitoring Report dated August 30, 1976), we are concerned about recurrence of these events in the future. We are therefore asking your assistance in monitoring the problem. Specifically:

- (1) You should examine larval fish collected during the course of the environmental monitoring program and notify the NRC should the abnormalities reoccur.
- (2) You should send water samples collected in the course of monthly water quality monitoring, and any samples of abnormal fish, to an analytical laboratory for pesticide residue analysis. We are still concerned about toxaphene having been found in Dardanelle Reservoir fish and desire that toxaphene levels be monitored and recorded.

Since initiation of the programs discussed above is important because of the short time prior to commencement of the next spawning season, we request that you inform us in writing, within 30 days, of your willingness to carry out the above programs. A separate letter is being prepared for transmittal to the Environmental Protection Agency to inform them of the occurrences and out intended course of action.

Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

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