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Hon. Thomas Ludlow Ashley  
Docket No. 50-346 representatives.  
2423 Rayburn House Office Bldg.  
Washington, D.C. 20515.

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Honorable Thomas Ludlow Ashley  
House of Representatives

Dear Mr. Ashley:

I am writing you Sir in regards to the proposed  
Davis-Besse power plant which is to be  
constructed near Oak Harbor, Ohio, on the shores of Lake Erie.  
This is in reply to your letter dated January 22, 1971, which enclosed  
a letter from Mr. and Mrs. Donald Snyder concerning the Davis-Besse  
Nuclear Power Station. I feel anyone discharging of water after  
it will be used to cool the large generators from this plant

The Atomic Energy Commission, under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954,  
administers a program which provides for regulatory control over the  
construction and operation of nuclear power facilities and the use  
and disposal of radioactive materials. From the inception of this  
program, the AEC has depended on the recommendations of the Federal  
Radiation Council, National Council on Radiation Protection and  
Measurements (NCRP) and the International Commission on Radiological  
Protection (ICRP) in the development of radiation protection standards.  
In regard to these standards the NCRP issued its Report No. 39 in  
January of this year. In its press announcement on this subject, the  
NCRP stated, "the results of the Council's ten-year study confirm the  
values presently utilized for governing long-term cumulative occupa-  
tional exposure and exposure of the general public."

Sincerely yours,

Experience with licensed light water cooled power reactors to date  
shows that radioactivity in water and air effluents have generally  
been kept at less than a few percent of the limits specified in AEC  
regulations. Environmental monitoring programs and detailed studies  
carried out in the environs of nuclear power plants by licensees, State  
Health Departments, the Radiation Office of the Environmental Pro-  
tection Agency (formerly the Bureau of Radiological Health of the U.S.  
Public Health Service), and the AEC have in most cases revealed little  
or no increase in environmental radioactivity resulting from plant  
operations. In those cases where increases were measured, the levels  
were barely detectable.

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In response to a number of inquiries on the proposed plant, we have prepared a summary which describes the proceedings concerned with the licensing of the Davis-Besse plant, and the controls that the AEC will have over the plant during its lifetime. A copy of the summary is enclosed for Mr. and Mrs. Snyder's information.

U. S. House of Representatives  
 With respect to Mr. and Mrs. Snyder's comment that an electric company is purchasing land close to Sandusky Bay, we are not aware of plans by a utility to build any nuclear power plant in that area, other than the Davis-Besse plant. If a utility does propose to build such a plant, it will have to submit an application to the AEC for a construction permit, and the application would be processed in a manner similar to the procedure described in the enclosed summary.

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Sincerely,

The Davis-Besse nuclear plant, 30 miles north of our town, is now in the process of construction. (Signed) H. L. Price  
 The plant is now waiting for a permit to continue. We don't believe people are being informed of the possible danger of radio-active pollutants are allowed to be scattered through the air. Why has infant mortality increased in other areas where these plants have been constructed? Large nuclear plants that emit radiation can cause genetic mutations, leukemia, cancer of thyroid and other horrible consequences of which we are unaware. We once thought that was very beneficial but we are now realizing the staggering consequences that are just now, after 20 years, being revealed.

Enclosure:  
 Summary

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- ...most recent of property has been purchased by an electric utility close to Sandusky Bay. It doesn't take a genius to see the fact that ANOTHER nuclear plant will be built in that area. Is it in the best interests of the people to eventually have Lake Erie surrounded by these producers of radio-activity? Sandusky County and surrounding counties have been great farming areas. What terrible consequences will result from this radiation settling on us, the people, the livestock and the crops?

We know it is pretty difficult to stop BIG BUSINESS and PROGRESS, so I urge you to support any legislation which will force these companies to use all their skill and technical knowledge to make them completely safe, before issuing permits. Otherwise, we may destroy ourselves.

*See Lt. H.L.P. to Hon. J. J. ...  
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January 14, 1971

Hon. Thomas L. Ashley  
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Dear Sir:

We realize the great need for electricity, but is the Atomic Energy Commission and the electrical companies jeopardizing the lives of the people of the United States and the world with radio-active pollutants?

The Davis-Besse nuclear plant, 30 miles north of our town, is now in the process of construction. The plant is now waiting for a permit to continue. We don't believe people are being informed of the possible dangers if these radio-active pollutants are allowed to be scattered throughout our atmosphere. Why has infant mortality increased in other areas where these plants have been constructed? Large nuclear plants that emit radiation can cause genetic mutations, leukemia, cancer of thyroid and other horrible consequences of which we are unaware. We once thought DDT was very beneficial but we are now realizing the staggering implications that are just now, after 20 years, being revealed.

A vast amount of property has been purchased by an electric company close to Sandusky Bay. It doesn't take a genius to figure out the fact that ANOTHER nuclear plant will be built in that area. Is it in the best interests of the people, to eventually have Lake Erie surrounded by these producers of radio-activity? Sandusky County and surrounding counties have been great farming areas. What terrible consequences will result from this radiation settling on us, the people, the livestock and the crops?

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Sincerely,

*Mr + Mrs. Donald Snyder*