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Dr. Bernard J. Snyder, Program Director Three Mile Island Program Office Office of Muclear Reactor Regulation U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Dr. Snyder:

I was surprised to learn that this office is listed among those who opposed the purging alternative for decontamination of the Three Mile Island Unit.

I believe the Final NRC Staff Report (NUREG-0662; Vol. 1 p. 9-8) misrepresents my response to your letter of April 21. Although I cautioned the Commission to consider seriously the alternatives, I noted in my letter of May 7 that the document sent for my review presented a compelling case for the purge method.

I regret that my comments were interpreted as a vote against the method and that my personal views were identified as the views of this Office and The Pennsylvania State University.

Sincerely,

Theodore L. Gross Provost and Dean

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