



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

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Docket No. 50-289

Mr. Ralph Koegel
133 Monmouth Avenue
East Keansburg, NJ 07734

Dear Mr. Koegel:

I am writing in response to your letter to President Carter concerning the delay in placing Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit No. 1, back into service.

As you may be aware, the NRC has ordered that a public hearing be conducted to determine whether the facility should be operated and, if so, under what conditions. The public hearing is scheduled to begin this fall. During the hearing, the technical issues appropriate to assure public health and safety will be addressed. The NRC staff is currently involved in the ongoing review of technical information concerning the restart of Unit 1. Based upon the current status of the proceedings, the development of a record on which the Commission can make a decision regarding restart is not expected before the early part of 1981.

While the NRC is, of course, concerned about financial impacts on consumers and licensees, the NRC's primary responsibility is the assurance of public health and safety.

Your comments and interest in this matter are appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert W. Reid".

Robert W. Reid, Chief
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March 24, 1980

Dear Mr. President:

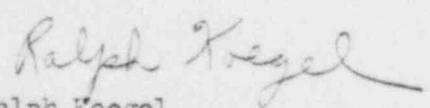
The unfortunate nuclear accident that happened at the GPU Three Mile Island generating plant has turned out to be a giant laboratory where much knowledge has been learned. Mr. Daniel M. Chew, your Director of Correspondence stated that all necessary precautions to safeguard the health of our citizens has to be taken when speaking of nuclear energy. The knowledge gained at Three Mile Island has already been put to use at many nuclear generating plants across the country to prevent such an accident from happening again.

I believe the Federal Government should give General Public Utilities assistance to pay for the knowledge that has been gained so far and for the knowledge that will be gained during the rest of the plant clean up.

Another reason the Federal Government should assist G.P.U. is part of the blame for this accident could be passed back to the Nuclear Regulator Commission who was responsible for the procedures used at the plant.

The undamaged unit at Three Mile Island should be put back in service as long as all necessary modifications have been made. The unnecessary extended delay in putting this unit back in service has put a burden on the company and its customers.

Sincerely,



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