

Department of Energy Washington, D.C. 20585

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Nuclear Regulatory Commission

Rathkopf Executive Secretary

FROM:

SUBJECT:

Correspondence Referral

The attached correspondence has been misdirected to this Department for reply. Inasmuch as it appears to fall within the purview of your agency, we are referring this communication herewith for your reply. We have informed the writer of this action.

Thank you for your attention.

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON DEC 27 1379 NEC

MEMORANDUM:

The attached letter(s) addressed to the President is referred to your office for suitable acknowledgment or other appropriate handling at the earliest opportunity. Should you receive mail that has been misdirected, please forward to the appropriate agency. I would also appreciate knowing when you are forwarding such mail. My phone number is 456-2717.

Thank you.

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December 12, 1979

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President Carter White House 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. Washington, D.C.

Dear President Carter:

Re Three Mile Island--Metropolitan Edison and General Public Utilities have decided to release radioactive Krypton-85 gases into the air, and the NRC seems likely to go along with this. This disposal method isn't the safest --but Met Ed and GPU don't think people's safety is worth the extra money. Stop the venting of Krypton-85.

The NRC has been thoroughly discredited by your own President's Commission on the TMI accident. The citizens of central Pennsylvania need protection. NRC won't do it because of its vested interest in furthering the nuclear industry. It is vital for the health and safety of these people that an independent committee oversee the dangerous clean-up process. Establish such a committee now.

Last month, the Surgeon General released a report entitled <u>Healthy People</u> in which he called for reductions in radiation levels as one way of protecting the health of our citizens. You signed the forward, saying, "Together we can make the goals expressed in this report a reality." Fulfill your promise.

I live in Cincinnati, Ohio, but the actions in Pennsylvania affect me. The radiation released at TMI cannot be walled within any county, state or nation. The precedents established at TMI will carry over to similar situations, including Zimmer in my backyard.

Urgently,

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