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IN RESPONSE REFER . TO FOIA-79-341

Dear Mr. Gross:

Your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of August 16, 1979, for the General Electric "Reed Report" and its abstracts was responded to by Mr. Sheldon J. Wolfe on August 31, 1979. The purpose of this letter is to provide you with the current status concerning the General Electric (GE) "Read Report."

In the past several months, the Commission reviewed GE's proprietary claim under exemption 4 of the FOIA. The Commission was evenly divided on whether to withhold the Report. Copies of the Commission's memoranda concerning this matter are enclosed. On October 17, 1980, GE filed suit in Federal District Court to enjoin disclosure of the report. The Federal District Court has ordered NRC not to disclose the report pending the resolution of the various claims. We will keep you advised as to the status.

If you have any questions regarding your request, please call Ms. Carol Ann Reed on 301-492-8133.

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