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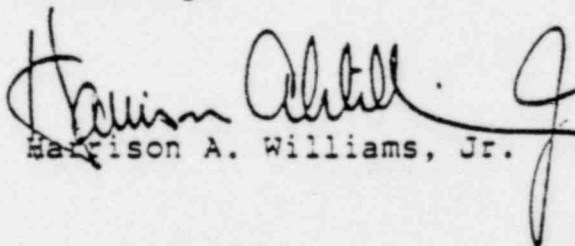
Dear Director:

Enclosed you will find correspondence I have received from the General Public Utilities Corporation.

I would appreciate any information which will enable me to respond to my constituent's inquiry. Please return the enclosed correspondence with your report.

With best wishes for a happy holiday season,

Sincerely,


Harrison A. Williams, Jr.

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The Hon. John F. Ahearne, Chairman
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Dear Mr. Chairman:

It is the purpose of this letter to request that the Commission reconsider and modify its Orders of July 2, 1979 and August 9, 1979 dealing with the restart of Three Mile Island Unit No. 1 ("TMI-1"). We believe that an evaluation of developments since the entry of such Orders demonstrates that they have produced consequences which are unjust and inconsistent with the public interest. The discussions at the Commission's public meetings prior to the entry of the August 9, 1979 Order and the terms of that Order manifested a clear expectation by the Commission that the hearings required by that Order would have been completed by February and that a Commission decision on the matter of lifting the suspension of TMI-1's operating authority could be reached by September of this year. Yet the fact is that the hearings did not even begin until mid-October 1980. The consequence of those orders, has been to severely penalize the four million residents of our service areas and our hundreds of thousands of investors. Unless the Commission takes action to expedite matters, authorization for operation of TMI-1 will be further delayed for many more months.

We are addressing this request for re-consideration and modification of your July 2, 1979 and August 9, 1979 Orders to the Commission, rather than to the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board (ASLB), since it is the Commission's duty to determine whether, in the circumstances, such orders should

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