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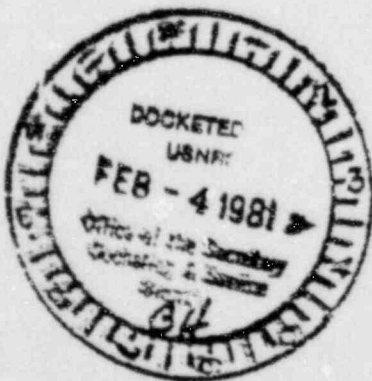
DEAR MR. AHEARNE:

ENVELOPE NUMBER 50-271
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I AM WRITING TODAY IN REFERENCE TO THE VERMONT
YANKEE NUCLEAR POWER STATION IN VERMONT. I HAVE BEEN HEARING REPORTS ALL FALL AND WINTER
THAT THE VERMONT INSTALLATION IS IN VERY BAD REPAIR
DUE TO POOR, AND IN SOME CASES TRANSCENDENT
AND UNSAFE MAINTENANCE PRACTICES. IT WAS SAID ON
THE RADIO HERE LAST NIGHT THAT A CONTAINER OF
RADIOACTIVE WASTE HAD BEEN SHIPPED FROM
VERMONT YANKEE TO ARIZONA, AND UPON ARRIVAL IN
ARIZONA, IT WAS DISCOVERED THAT THERE WAS A HOLE
IN THE DRUM THAT HAD BEEN COVERED WITH TAPE.
I SEE THIS AS CRIMINAL NEGLIGENCE. AND I CALL
UPON YOUR AGENCY TO IMMEDIATELY ORDER AND IN-
DEPTH INVESTIGATION INTO THE ALLEGATIONS OF
UNSAFE MAINTENANCE PRACTICE AND HADHAZARD AND
GROPPY HANDLING OF WASTES. MOST OF THE CITIZENS
OF THIS AREA I SPEAK WITH ARE QUITE ALARMED AND
CERTAIN OF MY ACQUAINTANCES HAVE MOVED FROM THE
ARBA, AS I PLAN TO DO, FEARING A CATASTROPHIC
NUCLEAR ACCIDENT IS QUITE POSSIBLE. DUE TO THE
HORRORS WE HEAR FROM WORDS OF MOUTH, AND
PUBLISHED IN OUR NEWSPAPERS AND BY CONFIDENTIAL
SOURCES, A LARGE NUMBER OF ARBA RESIDENTS HAVE
BECOME QUITE CONCERNED THAT WE ARE BEING MISLED
ABOUT THE SAFETY OF THE VERMONT YANKEE INSTALLATION.
I JOIN WITH THEM IN RESPECTFULLY DEMANDING A
THOROUGH AND PUBLIC INVESTIGATION INTO THE SAFETY
AND MANAGEMENT OF VERMONT YANKEE.

Sincerely,

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