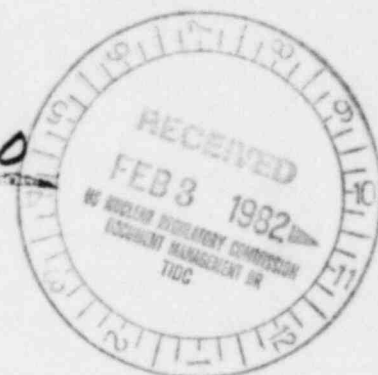


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Honorable Lawton Chiles
Federal Building
Lakeland, Florida 33801

Dear Senator Chiles:

My apologies for this tardy response to your letter in behalf of your constituents, K. Emmons and Betty J. Lamb, who express concerns regarding the "clean-up" of Three Mile Island.

While the Environmental Protection Agency has peripheral monitoring responsibilities for Three Mile Island, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has the responsibility for the actual clean up. Therefore, your correspondence has been forwarded to the NRC for response.

Again, my apologies for the delay in advising you.

Sincerely yours,

Caroline Browne
Senior Assistant Director
Congressional Liaison

cc: Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attention: Congressional Liaison

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Mr. Jack Woolley
Acting Dir., Office of Legis.
EPA
Fourth and M Streets
Washington, D.C. 20460

Dear Mr. Woolley:

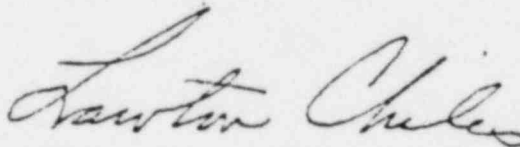
I have recently received the enclosed correspondence regarding a matter involving your agency, and because of my desire to be responsive to all inquiries, I would appreciate having your comments and views.

Your early consideration of this matter will be appreciated. If convenient, I would like to have your reply in duplicate and to have the enclosure returned.

Please refer to Subj, File, 17-48 - Three Mile Island in your reply.

With kindest regards, I am

Most sincerely,



LAWTON CHILES

LC/mb
Enclosure

19 Oct 81

Betty J. Lamb
P. O. Box 12168
Hainesville, OH 43024

Subject: Three Mile Island Cleanup.

Dear Senator Lawton Chiles:

I was very upset when I read in the Hainesville Sun Newspaper 18 Oct 81 that "Mr. Reagan has pledged the federal government will pay to remove all high-level radioactive waste from Three Mile Island, regardless of cost, according to U. S. Senator John Heinz, Pennsylvania Republican". Why should I as a private citizen pay for the clean up?

Just of all, I would like to know if this is true? If it is true, I would like a full investigation on why as a taxpayer who pays my own utility bill has to pay twice for electricity? Also why do I, as a taxpayer, have to bail out ~~and~~ a private utility company for their costly accidents, which should be paid for by their stockholders, manufacturers, and banks. It seems to me that the private utility companies backed by the federal government promise of cheap electricity has turned out to be very costly to the government and private citizens.

and very profitable to the utility companies.
I once again question Mr. Reagan's intention
to cut the federal budget. I feel he is
just shifting the money around for big
business and military spendings from
education, human rights and feeding the
poor.

Please send me a copy of the
complete report. Bill me accordingly.

Sincerely

Betty J. Lamb

P.S. Mr. Chiles Thank you for supporting
the Marine Mammal Protection Act.

P.S.S. Can Mr. Reagan appropriate federal
funds to private companies without
discussing such accidents as disaster?
What am I as a taxpayer receiving
in return.

Dear Senator Chiles.

If you have so much money that you can bail out this private venture. then TAXES are REALLY too HIGH.

At time it seems to me that the government is not trying to make democracy work, but is trying to work democracy.

I do not think it will take much to get a SOLIDARITY started here.

Yours truly

K. Emmons ✓
1720 S. King Av.
Lakeland, Fla. 33803 ✓

**Reagan: government will pay
for TMI clean-up cost**

HARRISBURG, Pa. — President Reagan has pledged the federal government will pay to remove all high-level radioactive waste from Three Mile Island, regardless of cost, according to U.S. Sen. John Heinz.

The federal aid is contingent on Pennsylvania, New Jersey and the three utilities that own the nuclear plant assuming other costs beyond removal in the projected \$1 billion cleanup operation, Heinz said Friday.