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Ms. Lyn Anderson
702 Dover Court
San Diego, California 92109

Dear Ms. Anderson:

Your letter to President Carter about the safety of the vicinity of Three Mile Island was referred to me for response.

A team of investigators from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the Department of Health, Education and Welfare calculated the doses to the people living within 50 miles of the Three Mile Island site and estimated the number of new cancers that would result from the exposure to the radioactivity that leaked out of the plant. The team reported their work in a report entitled, "Population Dose and Health Impact of the Accident at the Three Mile Island Nuclear Station" (NUREG-0558). They concluded that the offsite collective dose associated with radioactive material released from March 28, 1979, to April 7, 1979, represents minimal risks (that is, a very small number of additional health effects to the offsite population). Enclosed for your information is the summary of NUREG-0558.

Although we cannot speak for President Carter, we do know that the people who left the area shortly after the accident have returned and that the population is stable.

I am pleased to provide you with this information.

Sincerely,

Bernard J. Snyder, Program Director
Three Mile Island Program Office
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Enclosure: Summary of NUREG-0558

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President Carter,

My ten-year-old daughter and I have been invited to visit my father at his home in Middletown, Pennsylvania. He says, "Don't believe all the TMI propaganda. Besides, our President toured the plant, so there must be no danger." (Some of us still are keeping the faith, baby.)

My question to you is: Should you allow Amy to spend any time in the vicinity of this toxic island? If my daughter and I go, will my daughter, or her offspring in ten or fifteen years, have problems because of exposure at TMI?

Respectfully,

over Jim Anderson, 702 Dover Ct., San Diego 92109

Our prayers are with you
as you strive to do the
best thing for our Americans
in Vietnam, for our guide
as a nation, and for world
peace. God bless you.