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As you may be aware, the NRC has ordered that a public hearing be conducted to determine whether TMI-1 should be operated and, if so, under what conditions. The public hearing is scheduled to begin in mid-October. During the hearing the technical issues appropriate to assure public health and safety will be addressed. Based upon the current status of the proceedings, the development of a record on which the Commission can make a decision regarding restart is not expected before early 1981. NRC staff members are currently involved in preparation for the hearing and the ongoing review of technical information concerning the TMI units.

In July 1980, the NRC staff issued a Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement related to decontamination and disposal of radioactive wastes resulting from the March 28, 1979 accident at TMI-2 (NUREG-0683). A copy of the summary from this document is enclosed; you may wish to refer to page S-4 for an outline and schedule of activities associated with the cleanup of Unit 2.

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I trust that this information is responsive to your concerns.

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TNovak*	Tourtelotte*		DEisenhut*	Concurrence
9/15/80	9/16/80		9/18/80	*WTravers

\*See previous yellow for concurrences.

Original Signed by  
**H. R. Denton**  
Harold R. Denton, Director  
Office of Nuclear Reactor  
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Sincerely,

Harold R. Denton, Director  
Office of Nuclear Reactor  
Regulation

Verbal Concurrence:  
WTravers/TMI-2  
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Incoming: Frank & Meribel Ruthrauff

From: 1021 W. N. Wyandotte, St.

Dewey, OK

To: Chairman Ahearne Date 8/24/80

Subject: Requests info, on cleanup of TMI 1-2

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