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Dear Messrs. Williams, Martin, and Hayes:

On September 28, 1993, on behalf of Native Americans for a Clean Environment, I filed with your offices a report entitled Silent Sirens: Report of Native Americans for a Clean Environment's Investigation into the Ineffectiveness of Emergency Planning and Federal Oversight to Prevent or Protect the Public from the November 17, 1992, Accident at the Sequoyah Fuels Corporation Uranium Processing Facility in Gore, Oklahoma (September 28, 1993).

At page 11, the Silent Sirens report describes an account which we believed had been provided by Webbers Falls resident Shirley Worley, regarding the effects of the accident on the Webbers Falls elementary school. However, as noted in the report, we had been unable to re-contact Ms. Worley again to obtain more details of her account, including the identity of a child who was allegedly sent home early from school with injuries. We have since learned that the person who provided the information regarding the Webbers Falls school was not Shirley Worley, but Shirley Wooten, also a Webbers Falls resident. Ms. Wooten confirmed that kindergarten children, including her 5-year-old granddaughter, were on the school playground during the November 17, 1992, acci-

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dent. Ms. Wooten and her husband, Bill, were also in the school yard during the accident. Bill Wooten was in the school yard throughout the morning, and observed the plume of nitrogen dioxide gas pass over the school and head towards the town of Gore. According to Ms. Wooten, the school received no notification whatsoever that there was any danger. Rather, they later learned about the accident from a school custodian who had gone to the town of Gore on an errand.

According to the Wootens, they and their granddaughter were exposed to the nitrogen dioxide plume. Immediately after the accident, Ms. Wooten's granddaughter complained of headaches and irritated eyes, Mr. Wooten experienced breathing problems and dizziness, and Ms. Wooten experienced breathing problems and a burning sensation in her nose. They were later treated for these symptoms by their doctor. However, the Wootens were unaware of any child who went home early from school because of his or her injuries.

In addition, please note the following clerical corrections to the Silent Sirens report:


Page 6: Change "are" to "is" on second line of second full paragraph.

Page 8: Change "1992" to "1993" on seventh line of third full paragraph.

Page 16: Change "1993" to "1992" on seventh line of third full paragraph.

Thank you for your consideration. I will be contacting you in the near future to inquire whether your offices intend to pursue the investigations requested by my client.

Sincerely,


Diane Curran

cc: Hon. Mike Synar
James M. Taylor, NRC EDO
Maurice Axelrad, Counsel to SFC

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I have reviewed
Documents from
Curran. This matter
should be given
to RIV or Jean kee
HQ for review by an
ARB. I will send
a copy to Ken so
he can present it
to a RIV ARB.

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