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The Honorable William Goodling
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Goodling:

Thank you for your letter on behalf of your constituent Mr. James Kohr, who urges the immediate restart of the undamaged reactor at Three Mile Island and an expedited clean-up of the second reactor.

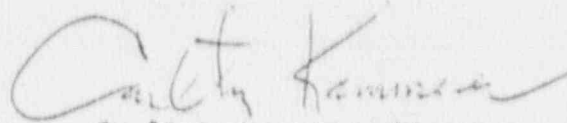
As you are aware, following the accident at Three Mile Island Unit 2 the Commission ordered that public hearings be conducted to determine whether or not TMI Unit 1 should be allowed to resume operation and, if so, under what conditions.

These hearings began before an NRC Atomic Safety and Licensing Board in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania on October 15, 1980. The current estimate is that a Board decision will not be made before the early part of 1981.

With regard to the clean-up of TMI Unit 2, the NRC staff has prepared a draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement on the decontamination and disposal activities which will be necessary. I am enclosing a copy of NUREG-0731, "Answers to Frequently Asked Questions About Cleanup Activities at Three Mile Island, Unit 2", which may be of some interest to Mr. Kohr.

If our office can be of further service, please do not hesitate to ask.

Sincerely,



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