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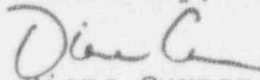
Dear Mr. Thompson:

On March 7, 1994, you called to inform me that you had been assigned by the Chairman of the Commission to look into the NRC Office of Investigations' ("OI's") handling of Native Americans for a Clean Environment's ("NACE's") Silent Sirens Report and related correspondence. You also asked for my views on the adequacy of the Staff's response to our request for an investigation.

At the time you called, I had no idea that there had been any response by the NRC to our request, and thus I was unable to provide you with any reaction. After we spoke, I obtained the NRC correspondence written in December 1993 and January 1994 regarding the matter. As I told you on the telephone last Friday, I had hoped to be able to evaluate those documents and provide you with a response to your inquiry by the end of this week. However, I have just received a letter from Russell Wise, Senior Allegations Coordinator, which responds formally to NACE's allegations. I will not be able to respond to you until I have had a chance to review and evaluate Mr. Wise's letter. Unfortunately, I will be out of town most of next week. Thus, I hope to get back to you by the week of April 4.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


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