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FROM USAEC, DENVER, COLO.

REFERENCE YOUR TELECON OF JULY 8, THE TEXT I WILL QUOTE FROM WHEN
INTERVIEWING HBPP PERSONNEL FOLLOWS CLN

I AM CONDUCTING AN INVESTIGATION AT THE HBPP BECAUSE ALLEGATIONS
HAVE BEEN MADE, AND REPORTED TO US, CONCERNING RADIATION SAFETY.
~~AT THIS PLANT. THE AEC IS OBLIGATED TO INVESTIGATE ALL SUCH~~
~~COMPLAINTS AND INVESTIGATION IS A ROUTINE PROCEDURE. INVESTIGATIONS~~
~~CAN BE AND ARE MADE AT OTHER PLANTS THROUGHOUT THE INDUSTRY.~~
THE FACT THAT ONE IS BEING MADE HERE IS NO REFLECTION ON THE
COMPANY OR ANYONE IN THE COMPANY.

SOME INVESTIGATIONS ARE MADE WITHOUT INVOLVING EMPLOYEES OF A
PLANT AND THEY ARE NOT EVEN AWARE ONE HAS BEEN MADE. SOME,
LIKE THIS ONE, NEED THE COOPERATION OF EMPLOYEES, WHOM WE HAVE
TO INTERVIEW TO ESTABLISH FACTS. THE REASON I WANT TO TALK TO
YOU IS BECAUSE WE FEEL YOU CAN HELP US FIND THE FACTS. THE
REASON I AM TALKING TO YOU PRIVATELY IS THAT I WANT YOU TO FEEL
YOU CAN TALK FREELY, WITHOUT BEING WORRIED ABOUT ANYONE KNOWING

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WHAT YOU HAVE SAID. THE AEC WILL KEEP INFORMATION YOU GIVE ME STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL. NO ONE IN THE PLANT, UNION OR PLANT MANAGEMENT WILL KNOW WHAT YOU HAVE TOLD ME. AFTER I INTERVIEW SEVERAL PERSONS HERE, THE INFORMATION WILL BE PUT IN AN AEC REPORT THAT WILL BE KEPT PRIVATE. ONLY RECOMMENDATIONS OR CITATIONS RESULTING FROM THE INVESTIGATION WILL BE MADE TO THE COMPANY. THEY WILL NOT BE ABLE TO IDENTIFY ANY PERSON HAVING SUPPLIED ANY PARTICULAR INFORMATION. MANY PERSONS WILL BE INTERVIEWED, SEVERAL HAVE BEEN ALREADY, FROM ALL LEVELS IN THE COMPANY. THE FACT YOU HAVE BEEN INTERVIEWED WILL NOT SINGLE YOU OUT OVER ANY OF THE OTHERS. HAVE YOU ANY OBJECTION TO BEING INTERVIEWED? HAVE YOU EVER BEEN TOLD OR INSTRUCTED THAT YOU SHOULD NOT SPEAK TO, OR REPORT RADIATION SAFETY MATTERS TO AEC INSPECTORS.

I SHOW YOU HERE AN AEC NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES, WHICH IS POSTED IN THE PLANT. UNDER THIS SECTION, INQUIRIES, IT SAYS CLN "INQUIRIES DEALING WITH THE MATTERS OUTLINED ABOVE CAN BE SENT TO THE UNITED STATES ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION COMPLIANCE OFFICE HAVING INSPECTION RESPONSIBILITY OVER YOUR PLANT, AS SHOWN ON THE MAP AT THE RIGHT." THE OFFICE FOR THIS PLANT IS THE ONE IN

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BERKELEY. DO YOU UNDERSTAND THAT THIS AUTHORIZES YOU TO TALK TO AEC. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN TOLD YOU SHOULD NOT BY COMPANY MANAGEMENT, OR THE UNION, OR ANYONE ELSE. HAS IT EVER BEEN IMPLIED THAT YOU SHOULD NOT TALK TO AEC. IS THERE ANY UNWRITTEN UNDERSTANDING THAT YOU SHOULD NOT TALK TO AEC. HAVE THERE EVER BEEN ANY THREATENED OR IMPLIED REPRISALS IF YOU TALKED TO AEC INSPECTORS. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN ADVISED TO CLEAN UP AN AREA BECAUSE AEC WAS GOING TO INSPECT.

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