

## UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

August 8, 1984

Ms. Anne B. Schink, President Ms. Ann McManus, Energy Director
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Dear Ms. Schink and Ms. McManus:

I am responding to your letter of June 7, 1984 concerning the decision whether to allow Three Mile Island, Unit 1 (TMI-1) to restart. In your letter you urged the Commission to postpone a decision on restart until the safety of the reactor and the integrity of its management can be assured.

The Commission has recently sought the views of the parties to the restart proceeding on whether in view of all relevant information the management concerns which have caused the plant to remain shutdown since 1979 have been sufficiently resolved so that the plant could be restarted. Those views have now been received, and the Commission has scheduled oral argument on August 15, 1984. After hearing the parties and reviewing their comments, the Commission will decide what further steps to take. The Commission will not authorize restart of Unit 1 until it has reasonable assurance that the plant can be operated consistent with the public health and safety. When the Commission makes a decision it will fully explain how the safety issues have been resolved.

Sincerely,

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