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BEFORE THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

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(Limerick Generating Station Units 1 & 2)

Limerick Information Center 298 Longview Road Linfield, Pennsylvania 19468

Thursday, 15 November 1984

The hearing in the above-entitled matter convened at 9:30 a.m., pursuant to notice,

BEFORE:

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PROCEEDINGS

JUDGE HOYT: On the record.

The hearing will come to order.

This is the limited appearance session that we will have here in Limerick. The meeting this morning will go from 9:30 until 12. We will have an afternoon session between the hours of 1:30 and 4:00 p.m. We will reconvene this evening at 7:00 o'clock for a session that will go from 7:00 until 10:00 for those who may wish to come in and make their limited appearance statement.

As you know or should know, the limited appearance statements that you will make before this Hearing Panel will not be evidence. It will be your statement which we will take and record. It will be a part of the permanent record of this litigation. However, I don't want to mislead you that this is an evidentiary hearing. It is a limited appearance statement where those members of the public may make their wishes and their opinions known to the Commission.

I would like to introduce the panel this morning. I am Helen Hoyt, the Chairpe ... a of the panel and I am the legal member of the panel.

Immediately to my left is Dr. Cole. Judge Cole is the environmental member of the Board. Environmental engineer member of the Board is, I think, the better way to phrase that.

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Immediately to my right is Judge Harbour. And we, Judge Harbour and I, have recently replaced the previous Board members and have taken over for the purposes of hearing the offsite planning contentions, of which this session is what may be described as round 1.

I understand there was a gentleman that wished to make a statement to the Board about the difficulty that the Board had in trying to get a hearing site, and he wishes to advise the Board of something, and I asked him to hold the statement until such time as we were on the record.

If you will, sir, make that statement at this time.

MR. ROMANO: Yes, thank you.

I represent the Montgomery County Air and Water
Pollution Patrol, and we are before the Atomic Safety and
Licensing Board. I have a couple of contentions before the
Appeal Board.

I want to read a news release of ours. I accidently found out about this meeting late last night and this is a statement we are putting out.

JUDGE COLE: You mean you heard about the change in the hearing place?

MR.ROMANO: The change in the hearing, yes.

We had put out information around our communities that it would be at Pottstown. They will be coming in and out

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of there and they will be missing a lot of this. So, as
Chairman of the Montgomery County Air and Water Pollution
Patrol --

JUDGE HOYT: Your name, sir?

MR. ROMANO: Frank Romano, Chairman of the Montgomery County Air and Water Pollution Patrol, call for the people of Montgomery County to boycott today's meeting of the public hearing by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission because it was suddenly and without general notice to the public -- sufficient general notice to the public that it would not be held at the Holiday Inn in Pottstown as scheduled and as advertised.

As I say, I only found out by accident, said

Romano. I am sure the purpose of the meeting has been thwarted

by the seemingly capricious action, stated that the confusion

ould have it appear that the public is not really interested

because of the low attendance.

We expected to flood these last meetings. The sudden move of the meeting to Philadelphia Electric's Information Center smacks of a take-it-or-leave-it capricious act. We have noticed this cozy relationship of the NRC with Philadelphia Electric, even at the hearings before the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board. I have noticed that.

How can the NRC keep us from a neutral meeting place and ask us to plead, to be concerned for what we are

doing, in the parlor of the adversary.

And as such, our group -- and I am stating this only for the record -- would like to see everybody boycott this meeting until you make another -- call for another meeting at a neutral place.

Thank you.

JUDGE HOYT: I don't wish to appear, Mr.Romany, to be filing any rebuttal argument to your statement.

However, I think I will advise you that it is a very difficult area to find hearing sites. We worked two weeks with everyone that we knew to get a hearing site even at the Holiday Inn.

I think you might be interested to know that one of the Mayors of one of the small towns in this area who had made a very strong plea to the previous Chairman of the Board to have these hearings in his area, when we called him and said, do you have a facility, the response most politely can be put, "Get Lost."

It is not the easiest task. We do not wish to appear to excuse ourselves. We are the members of the public the same as others and we try to serve that public interest. We appreciated the input of the number of people who were able to give us some indiration of where we could have it. We finally, at a cost of several hundred dollars to your government, obtained the facility at the Holiday Inn.

When the Board arrived there, we were told that

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that we had had a reservation confirmed, which apparently, due to the error of the Holiday Inn computer, came out to be, I think, Valley Forge was the place.

The Board does not feel that a public servant is deserving of that type of a treatment. I regret, sincerely regret, that you feel the necessity of calling for a boycott. If that is what you wish to do, sir, that is your public interest that you are serving.

I feel that the Board has done the best job, and I take full responsibility for that, to get the only available site outside of, perhaps, a tepee out in a cold parking lot somewhere to hold these hearings.

If you do not wish to testify any further, sir, we regret that you do not. We do feel that there is a sufficient and a very interested-appearing audience here this morning, who does wish to testify.

Thank you, sir.

MR. ROMANO: I called the Holiday Inn last night in an effort to get some information, and they told me that they are going to even charge you. They had a reservation for your meeting. And that you will be charged for having changed it.

JUDGE HOYT: Sir, I am not charged. That is your government.

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MR. ROMANO: That is us paying for this.

JUDGE HOYT: TEat's correct, sir. And if those are the sort of persons, I think you can understand what we were faced with.

Thank you very much, sir.

Now, I would like to introduce the counsel for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission who is appearing here this morning, sir. Would you identify yourself to the authorities.

MR. HASSEL: Good morning. My name is Mr. Donald Hassel, counsel for the NRC Staff.

JUDGE HOYT: I don't think we have counsel for any of the Intervenors here. However, the Philadelphia Electric -- the Applicant in this case is identified at the table there.

Mr. Conner?

MR. CONNER: Good morning. If the Board please, appearing on behalf of Philadelphia Electric Company, myself, Troy B. Conner, Jr., Mark James Wetterhahn and Nils Nichols, all of whose appearances have been filed.

In addition, Robert Rader, Robert M. Rader will also be appearing at the hearings beginning on Monday.

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rs, Inc. I wish to make one additional statement.

When this difficulty became known last evening, I immediately advised the available vice chairman of the LEA, which I would like to introduce to you now.

Ma'am, would you please rise and identify yourself.

MS. MILLIGAN: I am Maureen Mulligan the Limerick Ecology Action. We are an intervenor in the proceeding.

JUDGE HOYT: I appreciate very much the fact that Ms. Mulligan was agreeable last evening to advise as many of her members as possible so that we could be sure that everyone would be inconvenienced to the very minimum.

Sir?

MR. SCHLOO: I am Bill Schoo from the (inaudible) near Doylestown. I had no difficulty finding out about the change in plans in the morning paper and on the radio. I would like to state that for the record.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you, sir.

Sir?

MR. MATTHEWS: I had difficulty, and I am not a member. And it would behoove the Board to at least schedule another hearing with due notice. I found it out by accident this morning. Last night it was reported in the

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Phoenixville paper that the hearing was scheduled at the Holiday Inn in Pottstown. So I think that I would like to make a statement this morning, but I think there are other people who are not LEA members here in this area that would like to make a statement.

JUDGE HOYT: As I recalled to you, this was the only individual which was here on the site when we took a tour of the site yesterday.

Thank you, sir.

MR. LENCZYNSKI: I am a citizen of Pottstown. I heard about the change by stopping at a friend's house last night on the way home to double check some things I plan to talk about today.

In the effort of obtaining all the facts, today at 9:05, I stopped at the Holiday Inn. I talked to the desk superintendent. I talked to the Holiday Inn manager, and I talked to the hotel manager. All three confirmed that the room is still available. It is still set up, and we are still welcome there.

The point about it is that I represent a couple senior citizens, none of whom could make it here because they don't have transportation; they can't get here.

I have a list of people at home in wheelchairs that are unable to make it here because of eleventh hour changes --

Accelerat Reporters, Inc. JUDGE HOYT: May I ask you, how would they have made it to the Holiday Inn?

MR. LENCZYNSKI: It is local. They could take busses. Here it is completely in the back woods.

Another point that should be very well made is at 9:15 or about then -- I don't wear a watch -- KYW was giving wrong information of directions to here.

They said, from Collegeville, head east on Route 42.

This is ridiculous.

I just have to question: Isn't the NRC showing their real colors, changing the location at the last hour and preventing people from attending this? People have so much to lose in this community.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you, sir.

MS. MAAK: Ma'am, I have a copy of the Mercury, and the Mercury was kind enogh to provide directions --

JUDGE HOYT: The Mercury is the newspaper?

MS. MAAK: Yes. It is the local newspaper, the only newpaper in Pottstown. They were kind enough to provide directions. And every member of our group, the Pennsylvania Voice of Energy, was notified by phone after we found out about that this morning, while I dressed children and got ready to come here.

So I feel it was clear where the meetings were, and anyone who wanted to get here bad enough could.

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rs, Inc. MS. ROSS: I am Betsy Ross, a senior citizen and a member of LEA. I learned, thank God we have a telephone tree with the LEA, and I learned late last night and alerted other members. I would have no transportation if it wasn't for this young man calling and picking me up today. I do not drive. There is no public transportation in this area. I must depend upon senior transit service. Because of my age, I get a break from the state, thank God, from Pennsylvania. But I certainly object to the last minute change.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you, ma'am.

Yes, ma'am?

MS. VISSER: My name is Barbara Visser. I
live in Phoenixville. Yesterday I spent several hours
handing out fliers about the meeting at the Holiday Inn.
I have also spent many hours in the last few weeks calling
people on the phone. I visited the schools in
Schuylkill Township to tell them about this meeting.

I don't think there is any possible way that the hundreds of fliers handed out about the meeting at the Holiday Inn to those people have any way of knowing unless they happened to tune in to KYW or another radio station.

I would certainly ask you to hold another hearing so that people who do not know about the change

can come and be heard.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you, ma'am.

All right. I think now we would like to start unless there is some other input. We would like to start calling those persons who have indicated they wish to make a limited appearance statement to this hearing this morning.

The first name that we have on our list is Carol Barnshaw.

MS. BARNSHAW: Good morning.

JUDGE HOYT: Good morning, ma'am.

STATEMENT OF CAROL BARNSHAW

MS. BARNSHAW: I have been a resident of
Montgomery County for five years and live within ten
miles of the Limerick plant. I am a medical officer for
our EOC and Perkiomen Township and was involved with the
drill in July. Myself and others volunteered our time
because we care about our families and community. I
read some of the formal report on the drill, and I
attended a meeting at the Montgomery County EOC where
the drill was discussed.

From what I understood then and now, the drill went well, and there was some improvements that were recommended which was expected.

I called all the names that were given to our

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towhship of people who needed transportation incase of an evacuation and feel confident we are aware of the needs of our community.

I think our emergency management coordinator and fire company are competent and dedicated people and are able and willing to carry out any evacuation for any reason.

These evacuation plans are a good and positive step towards making our community safe from any disaster. Why is it everytime something constructive is accomplished there are people or organizations that protest instead of cooperating and enforcing the efforts that are made with any good intentions for all.

Let's encourage the work of so many dedicated people by saying, yes, we know you can make these plans work and your efforts are appreciated. And let's get on with making them better.

Thank you.

JUNGE HOYT: Thank you, Ms. Barnshaw.

The public address system, unfortunately, does not work this morning. We hope to have it available this afternoon. We would ask those who come forward to please speak a little louder, if you will. Thank you.

Mr. H. C. Randolph, Sr.

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STATEMENT OF H. C. RANDOLPH, SR.

MR. RANDOLPH: Good morning. My name is Hampton C. Randolph, Senior, a retired bank vice president who lives at 5180 Melissa Hill Road, Plymouth Meeting, Pennsylvania, 19462.

I have been a holder of Philadelphia Electric

Company securities for over 50 of my 73 years. First off,

I want to say that I am not against nuclear power. I want
that distinctly understood. I am not an "anti-nuc" and most
of us are not "anti-nuc" but I am a former financial man
and as a former financial man, I am unalterably opposed to
the horrendous waste of monies on this ever deepening pit
known as Limerick.

From an initial proposed cost of \$375 million dollars, it has risen to six billion dollars and if you allow the second unit to be built, will cost the ratepayers of southeastern Pennsylvania nine to ten billion dollars with few major industrial users left in PECO's trade area.

As to the adequacy of the evacuation plans, they are a complete disaster. One hundred and fifty thousand people live within ten miles of Limerick. They can't be evacuated in 30 minutes, one hour, two hours or even three hours. The state penitentiary at Graterford not counting guards has 2,360 inmates and they have 30 sets of leg irons for all those inmates.

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prisoners. These plans sound great on paper but they are not operational. PECO distorts facts. Are the state police and other local authorities meant to man the road evacuate routes? They have rights not be covered with nuclear fallout. There

There are secret plans on how to evacuate these

are over 500 hospital beds within ten miles of Limerick. How are these people going to be evacuated?

Again, not in 30 minutes, one hour or two hours. PECO, when it dreamed up Limerick, never even thought of these possibilities but they stare you Judges directly in the face. There are no adequate plans no matter how you look at it on the time schedule.

God forbid a disaster at Limerick but the threat is there and 150,000 men, women and children's lives are put on the line by an ill-managed company whose only interest is its shareholders.

In summation, I quote you from William Shakespeare's Macbeth. "Life is but a walking shadow. A poor player that struts and frets his hour upon the stage and is heard no more, it is a tale told by an idiot full of sound and fury signifying nothing."

Mr. Shakespeare's words sum up PICO's plan for an adequate evacuation very completely. It just isn't there.

Thank you.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you Mr. Randolph. Our next

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speaker is Pat Madsen.

STATEMENT OF PAT MADSEN

MS. MADSEN: Good morning. The State of Pennsylvania requires local and county government to have emergency plans to protect the public in the event of any emergency. This is the real world with real emergencies. Everyone has heard of evacuations due to flood, fire, accidents, train derailments involving chemical and fires involving hazardous substances.

Nuclear accidents differ from all these disasters.

First of all, nuclear power plants do not blow up like atomic bombs. That is physically impossible. This fact makes a response to a nuclear accident easier to plan for. We recently heard how the damage to the core of the unit "2" reactor at TMI was worse than origi y reported but it has not changed the fact that the off-site doses were a factor of 1,000 less than that which would have required an immediate response.

In other words, there is no need to evacuate. The real problem with nuclear energy continues to be the unscientific opposition based on ignorance, fear and misinformation.

You will be hearing a great deal of that today and tomorrow.

You will be told that the firemen are not trained for emergencies and that volunteers might not show up to help. I believe the volunteer firemen in surrounding communities are well trained to handle any emergency.

The township volunteers have worked long and hard to

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help develop a workable plan. Any PECO employees that have volunteered and I stress volunteer are not going to pack up and leave once the plan is operating. The volunteers do not work at the plant but work for PECO in other capacities.

PECO will be able to contact them immediately. PECO employees live here with their families. They pay taxes. They go to church. The send their children to local schools and are involved in the community.

They will help in any community emergency not just nuclear. If evacuation plans are delayed in my community and an emergency other than that at the Limerick Generating Station occurs and my children are in school with no way out, who do I turn to? Upon whom do I blame the possibility of my children being trapped because of opposition to nuclear energy?

Evacuation plans are absolutely necessary for every community whether or not there is a nuclear power plant in the area.

Thank you for your time.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you, Ms. Madsen. May we have Mary Jo Maak.

STATEMENT OF MARY JO MAAK

MS. MAAK: As a resident of West Potts Grove
Township I appreciate the chance to come in front of you
with my views on emergency planning. I know you will be

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hearing from members of our local anti-nuclear groups most of whom haven't bothered to volunteer for emergency planning in their own communities why these plans won't work.

I am more concerned with the report that was released Tuesday, November 13, 1984 by an organization of industry, government and university representatives sponsored by the American Nuclear Society stating, "A nuclear power plant accident that would release enough radiation to endanger the public is virtually impossible." This report which was presented to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in Washington confirmed what has been my personal opinion. It is a two-year study showing that previous estimates over estimating the source term, the technical term for the amount and type of radiactive isotope that could escape into the environment during the severe reactor accident.

The Society urged the NRC to revise source term standards so that state and local governments would not unnecessarily prepare extensive emergency evacuation plans claiming that this study clearly indicates there is a valid basis for substantial relief of public concern.

A member of the project stated that evacuation of residents after the Three Mile Island accident resulted unnecessarily in the substantial psychic damage and economic loss to the public and travel risk to those who chose to evacuate.

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24 Aderal Reporters, Inc. The Study concludes that physical and chemical processes within the reactor including the partial neutralization of radioactive gases by water inside the containment vessel inhibited a release of radioactive material.

So I feel it is my duty to urge you to review these reports of qualified experts before you make a decision on these evacuation issues. It is important to me as a mother of two small children to see that they grow up in a country that is energy independent. Nuclear power will make that possible without paying the price that opponents would like us to believe exists.

This study proves to me that a ten-mile evacuation plan at Limerick is not necessary.

Thank you for your time.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you. May we have Carol Doering, please?

STATEMENT OF CAROL DOERING

MS. DOERING: I live two miles from the power plant in East Coventry Township. I was involved in the drill on July 25th as part of the EOC team at the Ridge Fire House. Our townshp did an excellent job as FEMA and PEMA have already reported. Our grades were high. We were well-staffed, worked well as a team, message flows went well. Our emergency coordinator, Theresa Fouse, did an excellent job in keeping us

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well-organized and informed.

During the drill our fire department was called out to a fire to which they responded and returned quickly. In spite of this unusual event, we were able to keep the county EOC well informed and alert to the need of a back-up fire department.

Our three elected officials were present and interested in all the activities. Shortly after their arrival, they were briefed by the coordinator and team members.

I personally feel the evacuation plans for East Coventry will work well as demonstrated by the July 25th graded exercise.

As far as my children and the school is concerned, they do not attend the O&J Roberts School but attend a Christian School in Limerick. I have reviewed the plans for their school and am confident they will work. I feel very secure about them where they are. I doubt very much that these plans for evacuation will ever have to be used for the Limerick Generating Station but I feel secure in knowing that there are emergency plans available in the event of a flood which is not an unusual event for this area or a chemical spill or any other type of disaster.

I believe we can thank Philadelphia Electric and Energy Consultants Incorporated for these well-organized plans. It is time that we as a country advance and become educated

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in the need for nuclear power so that we might become energy independent.

Thank you.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you. Allen Fox, please.

STATEMENT OF ALLEN FOX

MR. FOX: My name is Allen Fox. I am a resident of Royersford and a father of five children ranging in age from eleven to twenty-seven and about to have the experience of sleeping with a grandmother.

I have a dog and a cat that we consider family members and I am in favor of getting on with the program and getting this plant onto an income-producing basis as rapidly as possible and in my town's helping out.

As a ratepayer, as a taxpayer, sooner or later I am going to have to pay my share of it. You have heard or you will hear much in the way of complaints about the fox being in charge of the hen house in providing guidance for evacuation.

In fact, it is my understanding that PE's only input into evacuation plan is for the site itself. Frankly, I, too, wondered at a regulatory body apparently abrogating what would seem to be more of a government function to the regulated until I looked into the facts.

It is certainly unprecedented in industry and many of those industries are much more hazardous than this one. I

that produce nuclear fuel.

am a former employee of Allied Chemical. On the new venture team at Allied Chemical, a portion of my activity was devoted to AGNES, Allied Gulf Nuclear Energy Services, which is a nuclear fuel reprocessing facility recently sold to the federal government and located at Barnwell, South Carolina. There are no evacuation plans for that plant. There are no evacuation plans for uranium hexafluoride producing plants

If PE had been permitted by the laws of our state to set aside a portion of their profits for this plant in 1969, that original \$800 million dollars would now have a net present value of \$3.342 billion dollars today, Mr. Banker.

If the PUC and the NRC has told them to do the same with the \$350 million dollar cost effect of TMI, that would now be worth \$564 million dollars.

Both of these are inflated at a conservative ten percent interest base. That adds up to almost four billion dollars. Stall tactics, legal disputes, abrogated contracts such as Point Pleasant and the Evansburg Park Skippack Dam projects agreed to prior to the beginning of construction of this plant, our legislature and we, the so-called silent majority, are also responsible for the delay cost overrun difference of \$200 to \$250 million, I for not speaking up sooner.

Okay. Many of my fellow friends, my fellow citizens,

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my friends and my neighbors oppose this plant and its soon-to-be twin, some with just concerns, some through ignorance of the facts that nuclear power is safe. As I said earlier, we are all going to have to pay for it sooner or later. If you are a proponent, get off our duff and lend a hand. If you are an opponent, you, too, can help instead of hinder. Become a watch dog. Make sure that the PE today is the same PE that showed this community what responsible corporationship was during the flood of 1972.

You don't believe your nuc's are safe, your library has hundreds of books on the subject. Read both sides. Help yourself and PE to save money. We really can work together. We will all be better off both in the spirit and in the wallet for having done so. Let's get it going.

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JUDGE HOYT: The next name we have is Lori Dubiel. STATEMENT OF LORI DUBIEL.

MS. DUBIEL: Good morning, my name is Lori Dubiel.

I am a housewife and mother of two. We live in Gilbertsville,

just six miles from Limerick generating station.

Local and County Governments, as well as the State of Pennsylvania are required by law to have emergency plans to protect the public in the event of emergencies, ranging from floods to nuclear war.

The emergency plans being developed for Limerick can be used by the local community for any emergency that could occur.

While evacuation plans are necessary, they should be based on realistic conditions that could exist at the time of an accident. The time between the start of an accident and actual threat to the public is relatively long. A matter of hours and days rather than minutes.

This leaves plenty of time to implement offsite response.

At TMI, our nation's worst nuclear accident, the threat to the public was not real. Even in the situation of 100 percent core damage, the offsite dose rate at TMI did not warrant evacuation of any members of the general public at any time. The offsite dose rates in the TMI area were a factor of 1000 less than that which would have required

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The limited evacuation that did occur in the area around TMI was based on the ill conceived hydrogen bubble concern. In fact, on May 2, 1979, the NRC admitted the agency was wrong when it reported the risk of explosion in the hydrogen rubble. And I quote Roger Mattson in the NRC Division of Systems Safety Staff. "The amount of concern was entirely undeserved. There was never any danger of a hydrogen explosion in that bubble. It was a regretable error. It criginated in the Staff."

I feel that existing emergency plans are more than adequate to deal with the possibility of an event at Limerick Generating Station.

In addition, these plans provide the basis for our local communities to react to any emergency situation.

These plans will bring the local governments into compliance with existing law.

Thank you.

JUDGE HOYT: Tbank you, Mrs. Dubiel.

Darlene Yancy?

STATEMENT OF DARLENE YANCY

MS. YANCY: My name is Darlene Yancy, and I am a mother of two children who attend separate schools in the Gilbertsville area; one, nursery school, and an elementary school.

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I am a member of a church, and I am very, very active in the Gilbertsville community with their citizen's group and other groups in the community.

I live six miles from the Limerick Generating
Station and because I am active in my community and attend
meetings, and I am aware of what is going on, I have come
to realize that my supervisors in my community are working
towards an adequate evacuation system.

At the present time, Douglas Montgomery Township did not participate fully in the last evacuation drill, but the supervisors and community leaders do want an adequate system. I realize, of course, the difference between being paper perfect and actual implementation. But from my reading and learning about nuclear power, I have realized some facts.

The first is, any time an unusual event occurs at a nuclear facility, the press, the NRC and the public are notified immediately. Any time an unusual event occurs.

Should that unusual event be upgraded, again the public would be notified. This could be a day, two days, three days. But, the public is notified.

At this point, rather than panic, people would make preparations like for a snowstorm. Well, it's been upgraded, maybe I should start making plans. By this time, should the unlikely event occur that it would be upgraded again, people themselves would, at this point, because they

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have had the time to realize what is going on, would have made plans for themselves, for their families. It doesn't occur in half an hour. They have time to plan.

And, because of this I feel that the people would work together to evacuate in the most effective manner. The time factor alone assures the people in the unlikely event, of a fairly smooth evacuation, whether it is for a nuclear event, a chemical spill, or any other disaster.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you.

Mr. Fred Lenczynski?

STATEMENT OF FRED LENCZYNSKI

MR. LENCZYNSKI: Honorable Judges Hoyt, Cole and Harbour, my name is Fred Lenczynski, and I am here to talk about six issues of the evacuation plans for Limerick.

First of all, let me say that I am a resident of Pottstown, and second, I work as a manager at the Phoenix-Kimberton Mall. I am also a member of the Mall Association which is that Mall's governing body.

The issues I am going to talk about today deal primarily on the problems with the plan in these two areas, my home and my work.

I also have over a dozen pages of signatures from registered voters in my neighborhood who agreed with me that the type of plans they have seen or heard of are insufficient, which brings me up to my first issue, the issue of public

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On the issue of public information, when I approached the people to get their signatures, the comments from 80 to 0 9percent of them was, "what plans" and, "are you kidding?"

Another question they also asked was, "Where can I see the plans?"

I told them that I had been doing a lot of research planning to write and make a statement here. AXd most of the people came back and said, "Gee, is that what it takes?" And, "How do the County Commissioners feel about the plans, will they work?"

To those questions I had to answer, no, they don't, because I recently asked them the same question at a public meeting a few weeks ago.

The basic summary these people had was that if PECO feels the plans are so workable, then the plans should be made readily available to everyone. And then let the people who stand to lose the most here, such as their homes and property -- since you can't get insurance for a nuclear related loss -- vote on whether the plans for Montgomery County are sufficient, since our three County Commissioners say they will not work.

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I, for one, threw mine out along with numerous other advertisements.

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Great planning, again.

The fourth is that of the July 25th Paper Drill.

A lot of those people I spoke to questioned the workability of the paper drill. They felt that a real evacuation is the best way to test the plans to see if something of this great magnitude would work. Not a planned, anticipated, advertised paper drill, but a surprise one. And, who would pay for this, PECO or our taxes?

As long as I am on the subject of the drill, let me talk about the decibel levels of the siren. First of all, let me clear for the record, I am an audio technician -- maybe I can help you with the PA system.

JUDGE HOYT: Be our guest.

MR. LENCZYNSKI: During the drill at my house I recorded the levels with a meter. I did this test just to see

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Anyway, back to the levels. With my windows open, the sirens were 60 decibels. That is 10 decibels lower than my TV set, and 20 or more lower than my air conditioner, which I remind you is with my windows open.

Keep in mind, this is summertime, the best condition. What happens in wintertime with the windows closed? I thought about this, so I closed them. You know what, my meter doesn't go that low.

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The last issue I would like to talk about is the Phoenixville Kimberton Mall. It is a Mall about seven miles east of the plant, about 200,000 square feet in size with an average daily flow of about 11,000 people.

I have documents on all these facts, too, by the way.

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In summary, I hope you will take these issues into consideration. They are all documented and first-hand information from residents and co-workers.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you.

The gentleman at the rear of the room is the Public Relations Officer from the Region I Nuclear Regulatory Commission Office. He will probably be able to answer your questions as to where certain documents that you appear to be interested in in the first part of your speech, where those are centrally located. Akd he can tell you for this Region, where those are.

You may also ask him any other questions about how the operation of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and its informational aspects may impact upon you.

MR. LENCZYNSKI: I appreciate that.

VOICE: I have some information here that this gentleman is concerned about. Insurance, the insurance companies do not cover nuclear accidents, but the utility has covered itself as far as insurance. And, the Price-Anderson Act does cover that, if I may give this to the gentleman.

> JUDGE HOYT: I hope that Brian would cover that. VOICE: Thank you.

JUDGE HOYT: But if he doesn't you may also wish to give him a copy of that, and you may wish to make those arrangements, privately with him.

The data attached to your statement will be included in the record at this point, following your statement.

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REFERENCES:

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D. Leader Nursing Center (Pottstown Borough)

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E. Montgomery Co. Geriatric & Rehabilitation Ctr. (Upper Providence Twp.)

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Tab 3. SPECIAL FACILITIES

A. New Life Youth and Family Services, Inc. (Lower Salford Township)

Buses	Vans/Autos	Agency	Assignment
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The Nuclear Accident Escape Plan touted by Philadelphia Electric is a fairy tale. governments have been wined and dined in an effort to win their support. PECO will now attempt to further tempt the local government with gifts of equipment up to \$5,000 per municipality.

Skippack and Perkiomen Townships have refused to approve the plan. They realize the cost of implementing the plan as well as the responsibility for evacuating all the people is theirs under the plan.

Philadelphia Electric has no responsibility when the local government approves the plan.

Skippack Supervisors will climb the wall when they learn that the Graterford prisoners will see the Nuke Escape Plan before the supervisors see it. In addition, the prisoners will get the opportunity to object to the plan but the supervisors will not have the right to change it.

Local small businesses will be the most seriously affected if there is a nuclear accident. Everything will shut down and the loss of profit will fail on the backs of the small companies. The small business man will stand in line along with the rest of the people who were damaged.

It will be interesting to see what happens to the larger companies like Superior Tube, Techalloy and Uniform Tube-they will have to decontaminate their products before it is shipped out of the area.

PE's map of the radioactive plume area was short by one quarter of a mile-now we know why-PennDot prepared the map.

I wish I said that department:

"And, as everyone knows, the army is a poor training corps for democracy, no matter how inspiring its cause."

Pierre Trudeau

Nuke Accident Escape Plan

-JOHN STEWART

Last week a sad thing happened to us on the way to the truth-the Montgomery County Office of Emergency Preparedness, directed by retired army officer Lin Bigelow, refused to copy, at the expense of the newspaper. Draft #5 of the Nuclear Accident Escape Plan. Retired army officer Bigelow said we could examine the plan in his nuke-proof bunker but he would not copy it for us.

We then proceeded to other sources and obtained a copy. It is over two inches thick and contains 464 pages, excluding maps. Page 33 sets forth that "... copies may be made available upon specific request and justification." Retired army officer Bigelow, ingrained in military censorship, did not think the request of The Independent was justified.

We have spent over two days reviewing the plan and we are still not finished. In the next few weeks we will attempt to bring to you some parts of the plan that the office directed by a retired army officer does not want you to know.

In the event of an evacuation because of a nuclear accident you must provide for your pets because they will not be permitted entry to mass care centers. The only exception to this rule is guide dogs for the blind. You may keep your pets in your automobile or at other outside areas. The plan calls for decontamination of individuals but not their pets. Plans for the animals when they are contaminated are unknown. In short, decontamination of pets is not provided.

Where will you go in an evacuation of the area? Collegeville, Limerick and Royersford will travel to the Willow Grove Industrial Park located near Exit 27 of the Pa. Turnpike. Upper and Lower Providence Townships will end up at the Neshaminy Mail which is located near Exit 28 of the Pa. Turnpike. Don't forget to bring your credit cards. Perkiomen Township, Schwenksville Borough, Skippack Township and

Trappe Borough will be spending their time at the Montgomery Mall at Routes 309 and 202. Seems they get the newest mail.

Little Lower Frederick will end up at the County Line Plaza near Route 113, separated from the rest of the people.

These are the reception centers only, from there you will be segregated and sent to mass care centers where you will be de-contaminated (stripped down and showered in communal showers) and given anti-radiation drugs.

The escape plan makes certain basic assumptions. The first assumption is that "the principal means of relocation" is the private automobile. The second assumption is that the weather will be ideal. The third assumption is that the accident will occur during the daylight hours and children will be bussed out of the area. The fourth ascumption is that only half the population will need housing and food because the other half will have taken care of themselves in hotels and motels (55,000 people). The fifth assumption is that there will be sufficient time to permit everyone to escape from the deadly radioactive plume.

Naturally, there will be sufficient ambulances and personnel to evacuate the Montgomery County Geriatric Center, 591 patients; Pottstown Medical Center, 300 patients; Eagleville Hospital, 314 patients: Rivercrest Center, 77 patients; Leader Nursing Home, 225 patients; Frederick Mennonite Home. 127 patients: patients-1634. Total ambulances available in Montgomery County-67. (24 patients per ambulance.)

An additional problem is what to do with over 2000 prisoners at Graterford Prison and Montco Prison in Eaglevile.

All of these problems have not been solved nor addressed in the present plan.

Next week - What will happen to small companies in a nuclear disaster? Who pays the costs of the escape? Who is responsible?



Limerick nuclear plant's neighbors

EVACUATION, from 1-A

well they would work in practice. And though PE and the NRC say the chance of a severe accident is extremely low, everyone agrees that if there is an accident, protecting the public would be an immense task:

· Limerick is in one of the most heavily populated areas of any nuclear site in the nation, with 187,000 people living within about 10 miles of the plant - the Emergency Planning Zone (EPZ) for which the federal government requires evacuation preparations. About 6.8 million people live within 50 miles of the plant, an area for which state officials are required to plan protection of food

and water supplies.

· An evacuation would require unprecedented coordination among local, county, state and federal authorities. The EPZ includes 43 municipalities and 13 school districts in Chester, Montgomery and Berks Counties. Special measures would have to be taken to evacuate residents of three hospitals, nine nursing homes and the Pennhurst Center for the retarded, as well the 1.800 inmates of Graterford Prison in Skippack Township.

· Local planners say they would be unable to provide the hundreds of volunteers or the buses, ambulances or the communications equipment needed to implement the emergency plans. And they say they are skeptical whether those resources could be gathered quickly enough from outlying areas to be of any use.

· Authorities would be depending on PE's siren system to notify residents that an emergency at the plant has occurred. But because the sirens lack emergency power, they could fail in some situations.

· Officials of even the smallest , municipalities say it would cost them tens of thousands of dollars to buy the equipment and other supplies needed to implement the plans -

money they say they do not have.

Vincent Boyer, PE's senior vice president for nuclear operations. said that additional safety features were being installed at Limerick because of the area's large population. Those features, along with the experience that the utility has gained at its Peach Bottom nuclear plant. should ease residents' fears, he said.

If there is an accident, he said, "there's more probability of linjuries from traffic accidents, in running off and evacuating, than the injuries

from staying."

But members of Limerick Ecology Action, a Pottstown-based group that is fighting the plant, say they hope to call more than 100 witnesses in hearings before the NRC's Atomic Safety and Licensing Board later this year to prove that the emergency plans are inadequate.

The plans envision hundreds of volunteer workers helping in an emergency: maintaining radio communication, directing traffic, staffing shelters for those needing housing, perhaps patrolling the streets to prevent looting. Volunteers also are expected to knock on the doors of the handicapped and hearing impaired to notify them of an accident and to help them and others lacking transportation to evacuate.

Officials are compiling lists of those needing help by mailing questionnaires to residents in the area and by cross-checking them with social-service organizations and local governments. "I think we've gotten as accurate a picture as you're going to get," said Timothy Hasson, training coordinator for Montgomery County.

But the results in Pottstown, the largest community within the EPZ, suggest that many people may have been missed. Based on the 1980 census, planners had estimated that 4,175 of the borough's 23,000 residents would need to be bused away

plan for the worst

from the plant. But questionnaires turned up only 605 such people, a discrepancy that planners are now analyzing.

Phyllis Zitzer, president of the 700member Limerick Ecology Action, said she had talked to many area residents who had never received, or had mistakenly thrown out, the questionnaires.

Whether officials could supply all the volunteers needed is one of the biggest uncertainties in the plans.

When the supervisors of West Pottsgrove Township sent out letters seeking 30 volunteers to help their fire department and small police force, only one person responded, according to township Commissioner Dick Bacchi.

"I'd like to say that it's feasible." said Bacchi, who has worked on the emergency plans for the township and for the Pottsgrove School District, where he is a teacher. "But I have some doubt in my mind that it is."

Ms. Lowery said she doubted that Union Township would be able to attract half the 60 volunteers and backups she believed were necessary to implement the township plan, and she said she had informed the supervisors that she would not be sticking around during an emergency at the power plant.

In addition, volunteer firefighters in Skippack Township voted 33-0 several weeks ago not to accept any responsibilities under the plan that would involve the risk of radiation exposure Under the emergency plans, firefighters are responsible for providing normal fire protection as well as for driving through their communities with public-address

systems to alert residents of an emergency if the sirens did not work.

Moreover, Skippack's supervisors have said that they will not approve any emergency plans until they have assurance that their residents would not be endangered by an evacuation of Graterford Prison, an operation that state officials believe has never been done at any prison.

"I don't think there's a municipality around that's going to come up with enough volunteers," says Ron Ewing of Warwick Township. "You can come up with the best plan in the world. If there isn't anyone to carry it out, you might as well not have any plan at all. If something happens there, it's going to be every man for himself. All hell's going to break loose."

Limerick Ecology Action's Zitzer said she was concerned that municipalities would not have enough volunteers staffing radios to keep abreast of changes in plant conditions. She said the municipalities' telephone lines were likely to be jammed with calls from residents needing transportation.

A questionnaire distributed several months ago to bus drivers in the Owen J. Roberts School District, southwest of the plant, indicated that only about half would commit themselves to driving the buses in an emergency, leaving the district's seven schools 35 drivers short. The district, which has an elementary school about a mile from the plant, would also need 15 extra buses, in addition to the 43 it uses regularly, to evacuate its schools in one trip.

Limerick's neighbors plan for the worst

By Rich Heidorn Jr.

Like a family eager to make a good impression in a new town, the builders of the Limerick nuclear plant have been inviting their neighbors to dinner.

Shrimp cocktails, prime rib and unlimited drinks were the fare when the Philadelphia Electric Co. hosted officials of Union T waship several months ago at Milos Country House in Limerick.

"They took 40 people from our township — the whole planning commission, the municipal authority, the sewer authority people, and wives or husbands," said Mary Catherine Lowery, emergency operations coordinator for the Berks County township. "I can't imagine how Philadelphia Electric was paying for it all ... land Union) is one of the smaller townships."

Dozens of officials from municipalities throughout the area were hosted by PE at the restaurant, one of the area's most expensive. They were told about the \$3 million warning system of sirens that PE is installing, and about the consulting firm that the utility has hired to help local officials develop emergency evacuation plans. They were given tours of the plant, being built on the Schuylkill south of Pottstown.

Yet PE, which hopes to start producing electricity at Limerick next spring, apparently has been unable to convince many of the plant's neighbors that they have nothing to fear.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission will not grant PE a full-power license for Limerick until there is a "reasonable assurance that adequate protective measures can and will be taken" for the public in an emergency.

To provide that assurance, PE's consulting firm has been working with state, county and local officials to develop evacuation plans for people within about a 10-mile radius of Limerick. PE says the plans will be as comprehensive as those developed for any other nuclear plant in the nation.

But while professional emergency planners on the state and county levels have been generally supportive, the residents and local officials who have been reviewing the plans in recent months have been overwhelmingly critical.

Supporters of the plant say that many of the critics are merely trying to throw one last roadblock in the way of PE's 15-year effort to put Limerick into operation. On Long Island, licensing proceedings for the Shoreham nuclear plant have been stalled for a year by the refusal of county officials to participate in planning.

But even many who say they support nuclear power, and who believe the plans look good on paper, question how (See EVACUATION on 16-A)

What's in the Emergency Planning Zone (EPZ) Within 10 miles of the Limerick nuclear plant live about 187,000, in a zone that includes 43 municipalities, 13 school COUNT districts, three hospitals, nine nursing homes, the Pennhurst Center for the retarded and Graterford prison, which MONTGOMERY COUNTY includes 1,800 inmates. Pottstown Limerick Graterford nuclear plant BERKS COUNTY BUCKS COUNT Doylestow COUNTY Pottstown COUNTY CHESTER COUNTY CHESTER COUNTY W. Cheste Population within a 50-mile radius is approximately 6.8 million people Detail from the Pennsylvania Emergency Manage EVACUATION PLAN MAP-JUNE 1983 Legend A Number of cars-(three people/car) B Direction of travel C Traffic flow consolidation point D Time for traffic to pass a given point The NRC's average evacuation speed is 2.5 m.p.in. E Reception center 2 hours to get started The average human walks at a pace of 3 m.p.h. 2 to 6 hours to finish

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IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, Philadelphia Electric Co. consultants are developed an evacuation plan they say as comprehensive as those for any nuclear plant in the nation. But residents and local officials que on how well those plans would really wo County planers throughout the region are a pting to supply the workers and equipment that local officials say they cannot provide. If the counties cannot find the resources within their boundaries, they will be looking to the state for support.

Adolph L. Belser, director of plans and preparedness for the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency, suggested in an interview that elderly people might be hired as emergency drivers for the Owen J. Roberts district, "because senior citizens don't seem to be too doggoned concerned with the whole exercise."

The district could plan to release its children early in a slow-moving accident rather than wait for an evacuation order. Belser said.

But Joseph Clark, an Owen J. Roberts district administrator who is coordinating the district's planning, said he doubted that drivers unfamiliar with the area could quickly find the district's schools, some of which are on obscure country roads.

Many local officials similarly are skeptical about how quickly volunteers and equipment from outside the area could be mobilized in an accident.

Belser, however, said some local officials were making only halfhearted efforts to implement the plan, hoping 'l.at criticism will prevent the plant from opening. And county emergency-management officials dispute the notion that emergency workers would flee if the governor gave an order to evacuate.

"We've never been disappointed in the response of our volunteers, especially if the job is explained to them," said Robert Reber, director of the Berks County Emergency Management Agency. "This belief that people will panic is not true. People are very conscious of their neighbors."

"God forbid we have a worst-case accident," said A Lindley Bigelow, director of the Montgomery County Office of Emergency Preparedness. "But people pitch in. You'll have people coming out of the woodwork to help."

Gregory Pirmann, director of planning, evaluation and development at the Pennhurst Cenier for the retarded in Spring City, is not so sure. He said he doubted that the center would have enough buses, ambulances, staff or drivers to meet needs during an accident.

Pirmann said an evacuation would be impossible at night — when staffing is lowest — unless the entire staff came in to help dress the clients, load them on the buses and supervise them. He estimated that as many as 200 patients would have to be moved in beds or wheelchairs because of physical handicans.

"Most employees would not come here," Pirmann said. "I would go home and take care of my family before I would worry about the people of Pennhurst. If we had to develop a plan that said the buses didn't come, the people didn't come, we'd have to say we'll sit in the buildings and wait.

"My biggest question would be the desire of people to jump in their buses and drive gaily into the midst of a crisis for people they never knew and never saw." Pirmann said.

Ferd Morro, assistant director for administration at Pennhurst, is more optimistic. "Unless there is an extreme emergency, which is extremely unlikely, there would be sufficient time to mobilize," he said. "People would come to the fore in an emergency situation... I can only go by my own feeling: I have a commitment to Pennhurst."

Morro said the state Department of Public Welfare would send in workers from other areas to help with the evacuation if necessary. But he said he did not know how long it would take to get those workers to Pennhurst.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency observed similar problems in a drill at Three Mile Island in November, when FEMA observers said it would have taken at least seven hours to evacuate Hershey Medical Center.

Montgomery County's Bigelow said his office might call on funeral directors' hearses to help evacuate the Pottstown Memorial Medical Center. The partment estimates that it would have to provide 111 ambulances, 55 more than the county's ambulance services have, to evacuate the hospital.

Local officials also question who would pay for the public-address systems, wall maps, two-way radios, antennas and additional phones and phone lines needed to implement the plans. The financial responsibility should be PE's, they say.

Ron Ewing, chairman of the Warwick Township Board of Supervisors, said it might cost his township of 3,500, only one-quarter of whom are in the evacuation zone, as much as \$150,000 to implement their plan.

Richard Whitlock, chairman of the South Coventry Township supervisors, said it might cost the township as much as \$40,000 to get the gear needed to implement the plan. The supervisors have threatened not to approve the plan unless financial help is provided.

"As a small municipality with only 1,600 residents, with a tax base of \$30,000, [we] can't afford a plan of this magnitude and maintain it... We don't even have a township building," Whitlock said. "I sound like an opponent of nuclear power, and I'm not. I'm concerned mainly about the health and welfare of our community and the cost"

Chester County officials estimated last July that they had spent \$112,000 in planning for emergencies at Limerick and at PE's Peach Bottom nuclear plant in York County.

PE has agreed to assume some expenses and supply some equipment, but it has insisted that it pay its way through taxes collected and distrib-

uted by the state (nearly \$230,000 in taxes collected from PE went to Chester County and its subdivisions in 1983, the company says).

Company officials note that planning for an emergency at Limerick would benefit local officials in any type of emergency. State law requires all municipalities to have emergency plans, but state officials say few do.

Many of those involved with the plans say they will withhold judgment on them until an emergency exercise scheduled for July 25 is held. Critics, however, say that even the drill will not be a true test, because there will be no evacuation and because the exercise will not be a surprise.

Tim Campbell, director of Chester County Emergency Services, said he believed that the county would eventually have a workable plan but that he expected problems with the drill

"You have to remember this country has dropped the ball on major emergency procedures," he said. "Chester County has not been involved in mass evacuation planning since the very early '60s."

Roberta Kankus, PE's planning coordinator, said public resistance and doubts would be resolved as people learned more about the plan. "I think a lot of it... is a lack of education on the public's part." she said.

Still, PE apparently has a long way to go in convincing its neighbors that evacuation plans for Limerick will work. Of 300 Pottstown-area residents surveyed several weeks ago by the Pottstown Mercury, 69 percent said they believed that they would be unable to evacuate their families safely in an accident.

Schuylkill Township Supervisor Norman Vutz, who holds a doctorate in nuclear science and formerly worked for Babcock & Wilcox, a company that builds nuclear plants, is one person unlikely to be persuaded by PE. He said the planners were only "going through the motions" to satisfy NRC regulations and had not taken "human functions" into account.

David Monteith, emergency management coordinator for West Vincent Township, said PE and its consulting firm had done a good job. But he said he doubted that many people would embrace it without reservation.

"I don't think anyone is going to go on the record and say the plan is going to work," he said. "All anyone can say is this is the best plan possible."

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Time is the factor no one can calculate

By Rich Heidorn Jr.

After Metropolitan Edison Co.'s Three Mile Island nuclear plant was shut down in 1979, Charles Wunder Jr., a nuclear-power supporter and Met Ed customer, found his faith shaken and his electric bill doubled.

Now, as a commissioner for Upper Pottsgrove Township, Wunder finds himself having to ensure that his residents remain safe if something goes wrong at Philadelphia Electric Co.'s Limerick nuclear plant, being built five miles south of his frame bilevel.

Wunder, 35, figures that his township's 3,000 residents could be evacuated in six hours. But he worries: "Will we have six hours?"

PE, its consultants and government officials have spent millions of dollars and written thousands of pages of guidelines in planning for an emergency at the \$3.3 billion plant on the Schuylkill.

Yet the best answer anyone can provide for Wunder's question is "maybe." Time, say the experts, is one thing that even the most thorough plans cannot promise.

"Evacuation studies indicate we may have times when you know you can't get people out," said Tim Campbell, director of Chester County Emergency Services. "When you have a major snowfall and your evacuation time is four to six hours and the plant is deteriorating faster than that, you're not going to get people out."

Of 27 core-melt accident scenarios that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's staff considered in Limerick's Draft Environmental Statement in December, 18 have warning times of less than 2½ hours. In nine of the scenarios, warning times — the time

between realization that radiation will leak and the beginning of the radioactive release — are estimated at less than one hour.

The NRC study, which emphasizes that such accidents are highly unlikely, estimates that it would take two hours to begin an evacuation within the 10-mile Emergency Planning Zone around Limerick, the area considered most likely to receive harmful radiation. And the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation estimates that in good weather, it would take residents an additional two to six hours to reach the outside of the boundary.

In other words, authorities could be faced with either sending people onto the roads during the release of radioactivity or advising them to take shelter in their homes.

Experts say that "sheltering" is good protection in releases lasting two or three hours but that it would not prevent inhalation of radioactive particles during longer releases, because all buildings allow some air seepage.

Of the 18 kinds of accidents studied that anticipate warning times of 2½ hours or less, 10 have releases expected to last three hours or longer.

"After a few hours of exposure," said Joe Logsdon, health physicist for the Environmental Protection Agency, "you've got almost as much [airborne radiation] inside as outside."

How safe sheltered residents would be during a long release would depend on the types and amount of radiation being emitted and on where and how far the radio-activity traveled, according to Margaret Reilly, chief of the Division of Environmental Radiation in the state Bureau of Radiation Protection.

"I just wouldn't want to find myself in that position," she said.



PERSONS REQUIRING TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE

There are 4175* residents who require transportation assistance in the event of evacuation. Their names and addresses are on file at the municipal EOC.

It is understood that there may be additional individuals who will require transportation assistance on the time of evacuation. These individuals are to contact the municipal EOC to arrange for pickup.

^{*}This is an estimate based upon 1980 Census Data. It will be replaced with actual public survey data as soon as available.



CONSOLIDATED RESOURCE LIST

		TOTAL REQUIRED	LOCALLY AVAILABLE	UNMET NEED
Α.	VEHICLES			
	1. Buses ¹	1052		
	2. Ambulances	9	5	4
	3. Vehicles with Loudspeakers			
	4. Towing			
	5. Other			
В.	PERSONNEL			
	1. Route Alerting			
	2. Transportation			
	3. TCP			
	4. Special Assistance			
	5. Ambulance			
	6. Communications			
	7. Other			
c.	EQUIPMENT			
	 Communications (by type) 	Telephones:	Telephones:	Telephones:
	2. Traffic Control			
	3. Life Support			
	4. Other			

 $^{^1\}mathrm{Resource}$ planning for buses should exclude those required for evacuation of schools. $^2\mathrm{Based}$ upon an estimate of 40 persons/bus.

Note: Blank spaces on this chart will be completed as data becomes available.



PERSONS REQUIRING TRANSPURTATION ASSISTANCE

There are 605* residents who require transportation assistance in the event of evacuation. Their names and addresses are on file at the municipal EUC.

It is understood that there may be additional individuals who will require transportation assistance on the time of evacuation. These individuals are to contact the municipal EUC to arrange for pickup.

^{*}Based upon public survey data.

CUNSULIDATED RESOURCE LIST

		TOTAL REQUIRED	LUCALLY AVAILABLE	UNMET NEED
Α.	VEHICLES			
	1. Buses ¹	162	4	12
	2. Ambulances	12	3	9
	3. Vehicles with Loudspeakers	8	8	U
	4. Other	U	0	U
в.	PERSUNNEL			
	1. Route Alertiny	16	16	U
	2. Transportation	16	16	U
	3. TCP	17	93	U
	4. Special Assistance	20	20	U
	5. Ambulance	9	y	U
	6. Communications	2	U	2
	7. Other	0	U	0
c.	EQUIPMENT			
	1. Communications (by type)	Telephones: 10 RACES: 1	Telephones: 10 RACES: U	Telephones: U RACES: 1
	2. Traffic Control	0	U	U
	3. Life Support	0	U	0
	4. Other	0	U	U

Note: Unmet needs will be supplied through the County/PEMA.

¹ Resource planning for buses excluses those required for evacuation of Schools. 28ased upon an estimate of 4U persons/bus.



At the Editor's Desk

'Junk mail' message is unnerving

BY BOB URBAN

"Any mail today?" I asked my wife the other evening when I came home from work. I was hungry and tired, and hoping not to find any unexpected bills or other unpleasant correspondence waiting on the living room butch.

She handed me a white envelope while I was removing my coat. An old rerun of "The Bob Newhart Show" flashed on the television screen.

"What's this?" I asked. "It looks like junk

"Wait'll you read what's inside," my wife replied. "That'll be a column item for you. It's scary."

The envelope didn't look intimidating. In fact it looked like hundreds of others most of us receive and discard with little thought. It could have been a flyer announcing a store sale, an invitation to "borrow up to \$10,000" from a finance company, or a brochure from a politician or religious group.

The envelope had no lettering other than a postage meter 17-cent first class stamp and a Philadelphia postmark. My name and address were affixed on a little sticker that appeared to be punched out of a computer.

Inside was a form to be filled out (in duplicate), along with a letter under the heading "County of Montgomery, Office of Emergency Preparedness and Medical Services."

Dear Resident, the letter said:

The Montgomery County Office of Emergency Preparedness is presently in the process of updating its records to better serve the public in the event of an emergency or an incident at the Limerick Generating Station.

As Director of the Montgomery County OEP. I am asking that you take a few minutes to complete the enclosed survey form, if applicable. Your county Office of Emergency Preparedness and municipal emergency services are responsible for developing plans to protect county residents in the event of a major emergency. The information gathered by this survey will remain confidential to be used only by municiapl and county emergency services personnel (police, fire, rescue, ambulance) in a time of emergency such as fire, flood, hazardous materials incident or protective action in the event of an incident at the Limerick Generating Station.

The letter went on to explain how in certain emergencies the special needs of individuals with disabilities must be met. It urged everyone to complete the form as soon as possible and return it in the self-addressed stamped envelope. It was signed by Samuel L. Ely 3rd, the county's director of emergency preparedness.

I examined the form and thought to myself that in the 17 years I had been a resident of Pottstown, never before had I been asked to fill out a survey of this nature — not even after the devastation of Hurricane Agnes in 1972.

The form asked if everyone in my family usually had private transportation available, if my residence had a telephone, and if everyone in my family understood English.

I was quizzed if anyone had a hearing impairment, a speech or sight impairment, if anyone was confined to a wheelchair or bedridden. The survey asked if anyone would need personal assistance, a special vehicle or medical equipment, or an ambulance.

Fortunately, no one in my family falls into those categories, so I was told that I wouldn't have to fill out and return the form. I guess that means that in case of a nuclear accident I'll be on my own.

It's will be at least a year before any radioactive materials even arrive at Limerick. And despite claims by PE officials that there's no need for concern, many people are tough to convince.

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The Nuclear Age scares people. One extremely foggy morning several months ago a distraught woman called The Mercury and, half crying, reported that "the two towers at Limerick disappeared overnight. Where could they have gone?" She was assured that as soon as the fog lifted, the towers would reappear.

About a month ago the paper's switchboard lit up because residents and passersby were concerned about the "giant plume of smoke" that was spotted above Cooling Tower One. The callers were informed in a story the next day that the "plume" was just steam generated from some work being done to test a water system in the tower. But when the steam reappeared a few weeks later, the calls started up again.

Despite assurances, the memory of Three Mile Island remains clear. And, as we continue to fill out emergency forms, the apprehension about the Limerick Power Plant will continue to grow.

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Pottstown 4	Industrial Highway & Hanover	Borough	1
Pottstown 5	High & Hanover	Borough	1
Pottstown 6	Kiny & Hanover	Borough	1
Pottstown 7	Kiny & Route 100	Borough	1
Pottstown 8	Berks & High	Borough	1
Pottstown 9	Reynolds & State	Borough	1
Pottstown 10	Wilson & Farmington	Borough	1
Pottstown 11	Beech & Hanover	Borough	1
Pottstown 12	Beech & Charlotte	Borough	1
Pottstown 13	Beech & High	Borough	1
Pottstown 14	Jackson & Adams	Borough	1
Pottstown 15	Keim & Jackson	Borough	1
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rs, Inc. JUDGE HOYT: Mr.William N. Miller, Jr. STATEMENT OF WILLIAM N. MILLER, JR.

MR. MILLER: My name is William N. Miller, and I live in Limerick. I live within ten miles of the plant. And, I don't want to sound like I am playing one-upsmanship on families, but I do have ten children, and all of the tne children and the seven grandchildren all live within the EPZ, so my concerns are valid, I feel, for the evacuation

I would like to ask some questions, and perhaps we will get some answers. In looking at evacuation plans and the provisions for the busing, I ask the question, "Are buses safe containers or vehicles in the event of fallout and traveling under the plume. Would it be safe to have children contained in the bus?"

I see where they say you should be indoors and you will be safe, or as someone recommended, jump in the swimming pool. I happen to have a swimming pool, so I thought about it, but in cold weather it is a little rough.

In relation to the evacuation and the travel that will be involved in that time, I was wondering if the service operators in the area have all been contacted and will remain open, or will they too respond like most of us will in relation to their own safety and their family's safety.

We don't move without gasoline, and I am sure all of you are

aware of that. And, in reference to that, this past -when they had the test go on for the evacuation, they sounded the sirens. It was about -- I think a week or so before that we had an electrical storm that put our property and many properties in that immediate area out of electricity for four hours. I think you will be able to document that. It is not just dreamed up. In those four hours no gas came out of the ground because those pumps didn't run. Nothing would have moved in this area. No warning could have been made. If you were fortunate enough to have a battery operated radio, you would have heard it, or if you had been out sitting in your car for that four hours you would have heard. But, otherwise you are completely uninformed at that particular point in time. We have no provisions to cover that kind of a gap.

Back to our buses. I think if buses are to be put on the road, every bus should have its own CB radio; you must have some communications for those bus drivers, be they from outside the area trying to get in, and learn where locations are to pick up children at schools and for supplemental busing. At present I haven't seen any provisions made for that.

I am not an authority on evacuation plans, but these kind of things seem basic.

Another question I had in my mind is, in reading

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about the Graterford evacuation, it was mentioned that State

Police will be convoying enforcement officers for the removal

of the prisoners. They were talking in terms of 90 buses

in the press release I read.

If they ame going to remove prisoners and have

State Police as convoys, the next question was, who is going
to control the major roads and the intersections in this area.

I was told on state roads the State Police were.

Well, somehow those numbers just do not add up either.

If you start thinking about or ask any questions about the size of the Police force, it is just not there. So there must be some gaps or some incorrect information on who will do what.

Now, one other question I have is, everybody seems to concede you shouldn't travel under the plume. Now, I am aware when I say the plume, I am not talking about the plume that is coming out of the big towers. That is basically water and steam. It is the radiation release plume that will be released from the containment building that you should not be traveling under. Well, if that be true, are we going to have plans that will allow for directional evacuation/

We can't travel on one plan and all travel under a plume if the wind is blowing in that direction on that given day. Common sense tells us that. I know when I leave with my family and I go out there and the wind is blowing in

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they say about the plans and which way they tell me to go.

I want to be moving upwind.

We have to have evacuation plans that make provisions for an upwind movement. It makes no sense to travel under the plume, get stuck in traffic, have children in buses, which I don't think are safe. As I asked the question before, maybe they are, but I don't think so at this point.

that one direction, I am going upwind. I don't care what

So that I don't want to see children sitting under that plume in buses, tied up in traffic, with the wind moving it over their heads and upon their heads. I have a great deal of reservations about that type of a plan.

The other thing I would like to say, that as far as the safety of the plant itself, they appear to be going all out to build in all the necessary safeguards, et cetera, a nd I can accept that.

I have a lot of reservations with the handling of waste material, how it can be stored, and I think more about the cumulative effect of radiation on our children, than perhaps what is going to happen immediately as far as the big bomb theory, or this thing blowing up all at once. Maybe it would be a blessing in disguise if it did blow up all at once. We wouldn't have any problem.

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warnings on them and are one of the biggest killers in our society. And that is a good example of a cumulative effect. I don't want to see us lighting up a cigarette in Limerick.

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- Thank you.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you, sir.

I would like to recognize the counsel for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and ask counsel if she would like to join NRC counsel at the table here.

MS. FERKIN: Thank you.

JUDGE HOYT: For the benefit of those attending nere, counsel that I am referring to is Miss Zori Ferkin. I think it is the Governor's Energy Council.

Betsy Ross?

MS. ROSS: Yes. Betsy Ross, R-o-s-s, like the flag maker.

57 (inaudible) Road in Limerick. I live within two miles of the installation. I am a senior citizen, as I stated before, member of LEA.

It might surprise a lot of my friends, I am not anti-nuclear. I think we need nuclear power, but not in Limerick. PECO made some very, very bad mistakes when they started this -- picked this location.

JUDGE HOYT: So that you can be heard, Miss Ross, in the back, would you please speak up a little. We are --

MS. ROSS: This is not working?

JULGE HOYT: No.

MS. ROSS: I think that PECO made a big mistake in building the plant at this location. Number one, they still don't have water. I was raised upstate on the Schuylkill, and I know there wouldn't be any water in there for cooling in the summertime because you can walk across in your bare feet.

As I said, I am not anti-nuclear. My son is -- teaches nuclear electronics in the Navy, in the U.S. Navy. And, of course, we have some very interesting discussions when he is at home. But I was a civilian observer in July at the evacuation drill.

Naturally, it didn't work. It was the first drill. They need a lot of practice. Our local volunteers in Limerick did a fine, fine job.

However, I still maintain their evacuation plan will not work.

A year ago we received questionnaires to see if there were anybody in our homes who needed transportation in the event of an accident or who were elderly and could not get out on their own, did not drive, et cetera, et cetera.

I will be very frank. I answered the questionnaire.

I said, in the event of an accident, I refuse to leave

my home. I will close the windows, pull down the shades,

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and get out my best bottle of scotch and forget it.

I am safer that way than I would be out on these highways.

I live just within two miles. I can walk if necessary to 422. I always say -- we did have a gas station up there which has since been demolished. I said, if I were driving, which I do not do, and got to that gas station, so would 10 million others, and then I would be able to walk to Philadelphia on the tops of the roofs of the cars that were parked on the Schuylkill Expressway, because we all know that is the biggest parking lot in the world.

Years ago I inherited PECO stock. I blame

PECO for their shortsightedness. I dumped my stock as

soon as I was aware what they were doing here because

they sneaked into the territory. They bought through

straw bosses and straw buyers. They bought the property.

Suddenly -- we, the public, was certainly not informed.

I still say: I am not anti-nuclear. We need nuclear.

Now, I am a volunteer. I am a retired senior volunteer at the Geriatric Center which is within eight miles and within 'his zone. We have 600 patients over there besides the staff. With that, Pottstown Hospital, Leader Nursing Home and the Greaterford Prison, you are not going to move anybody out of here. But I say, I am still

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an optimist, there is not going to be an accident. This plant, I believe, because of you people, have constructed this with very, very great care. So I don't even think -- of course, I am on my way -- I met a PECO man here today. I said, when I saw how much my electric bills are going to be raised, 25 percent, as soon as they go on line, which will be 1985 now, and 40 percent -- now, these are PECO's figures -- 40 percent in 1986, and I am a very frugal lady living alone.

I am on a fixed income, as are many, many, many in this area. It doesn't go. I have gone back. I have got my kerosene lamps out already because between all the other things -- the Bell Tell, Ma Bell, we won't be able to make phone calls. So I am getting two tin cans and a piece of string or two boyscouts with, you know, sticks to light up -- homing pidgeons, I think, would be a good answer to that one. And for my lights and energy, I will certainly get -- my kerosene lamps are ready to go.

Thank you for listening, but it won't work, not at the present -- there is not going to be any accident. JUDGE HOYT: Thank you, Miss Ross, for your

input, most helpful.

Edward Matthews?

STATEMENTS OF EDWARD MATTHEWS

MR. MATTHEWS: Good morning.

I am sure you must be tired already because you have heard one side and now the other. First of all, let me introduce myself.

I am Edward Matthews. I live in east Pikeland
Township. I have lived in Chester County all of my life.

I am a member of the Planning Commission in East Pikeland
for the past ten years. I have served on a committee that
has studied the evacuation plan for our township, and our
committee had reservations, unanimously urged the
supervisors not to adopt this plan because we don't think
it is workable.

We know our roads in East Pikeland Township better than the planners who have designed this plan.

We know 113 and 23 are very congested every morning with rush hour traffic. If there is an evacuation at these hours, there is no way that it will work. But I am not sure that I am going to convince anybody, and I would like to suggest a way out of this dilemma, I think, that you gentlemen and panel are faced with.

I would really like to see a full drill, not just what I would call and others have called a "paper drill" that took place in July of this year. I would like to see this plant evacuate the whole area, the residents and all

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the members in the institutions.

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Inderes Reporters Inc. I teach in a school, and we are required to have a fire drill every month. And our fire drill is not simply ringing a bell and alerting our students that, you know, that is a warning, if there is ever a fire, you hear that, you should go out. We have our students walk through the drill because that is obviously common sense. You want to know -- you want the students to know how to proceed down the corridors and which routes to take, and we want to make sure that this proceeds quickly.

I would say I am a "doubting Thomas" at this point, and I don't think anyone is going to convince anyone else here unless we really see whether this plan can work. And we may have to test it several times.

Since I have grown up in this area, I know we get lots of snow in the wintertime. How could a plan work when there is four to six inches of snow?

We have been told in the plan that there will not be an evacuation, that people will stay inside in that situation. I really find that unacceptable to have a plan that is supposed to work just on sunny days and then, if there is bad weather, we are supposed to stay inside. That makes me furious because you are saying that it is okay for me to escape and get out of danger if

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I can. But on snowy days, where there would be -it would be impossible to get out, I should pull my
windows down and stay there and just hope that nothing
happens. I can't accept that. I really am very upset
with that suggestion in the plan.

If there is a fire on a street that has row houses, and you tell the residents where the fire has not reached their homes that, well, you can get out if you can, but on a snowy day you are supposed to stay in there, that would be rather ridiculous. So I really find that part of the plan unacceptable.

So I would urge the Commission to consider

a full evacuation drill, not just alerting the various

centers in the plume area and not just alerting the

various institutions. Let's try this, and then maybe we

can clear away the uncertainties and see which side is really

correct in this.

That is all I want to say.

JUDGE HOYT: Mr. Matthews, may I ask a question before you leave?

MR. MATTHEWS: Surely.

JUDGE HOYT: As a member of the East Pikeland
Township Planning Commission, do you have any civil defense
plans?

MR. MATTHEWS: I would say I am not aware of them.

derat Reporters, Inc. And I would go on record as saying, we need evacuation plans. I really support the state's mandate that we develop these plans.

How can we -- you see, I helped develop the township's overall domprehensive plan, and that has grown out of our own planning effort. Here we have been given a plan by the emergency -- this Commission that PE has hired. We have not had the opportunity to hire our own planners and work out a plan that would suit our needs. That is what I would like.

JUDGE HOYT: Let me take you back to something you said just a moment ago, and that is, I was a member of the planning. What was the end product that came out of that planning?

MR. MATTHEWS: We simply reviewed the emergency plan for East Pikeland Township and made recommendations to the township supervisors. And that is our role. We have no other legal authority than that.

JUDGE HOYT: There was not an independent plan of some sort that you developed?

MR. MATTHEWS: No. As I was saying, it is customary in townships for the townships to hire consultants and to proceed with planning in that respect. But here a plan has been kind of drawn up and given to each of the townships to review. And planning, in my

experience, takes quite a bit of time.

Our comprehensive plan has taken at least four or five years to develop. This is really inadequate, believe me.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you, sir.

We will take approximately a ten- to fifteenminute recess. Those persons who may have come into the
hearing room prior to or after the original signups,
if you would consult with Mr. Crockett, who is the
gentlemen going back over here on the right, he would
be happy to give you a card for your name and address.

The hearing will recess.

(Recess.)

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JUDGE HOYT: The hearing will come to order. Let the record reflect that all the parties who were here when the hearing recessed again are present in the hearing room and have taken their places at the counsel table. The Board has taken its place on the Bench and we will continue calling those persons who have registered with us for making a limited appearance statement.

However before we continue with that, we have several announcements we would like to make. Because of the indication from several persons here this morning that there may be difficulty of persons going to a place called the Holiday Inn in Pottstown and getting over here, not being able to find the place, not having public transportation and for other assorted reasons, we have with the help of the Philadelphia Electric people worked out two plans.

Pottstown for the use of persons who may wish to drive their cars over here showing them the route to take. Secondly, there will be available at the Holiday Inn at all times during the hearing process here for these next two days, this afternoon, this evening and tomorrow morning, vans available to transport people from the Holiday Inn to this location and return there.

Those vans will be available starting now and one will be there at the hotel and as soon as it leaves, another

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van will be available for the purposes of transporting the individuals over here. They will be clearly marked and they will be under the directions to bring the persons to this location.

SPEAKER FROM THE FLOOR: Will this information be broadcasted?

JUDGE HOYT: If you give me long enough, I get everything in, ma'am. We have, I think, several members or I think earlier we had persons from the radio stations here but I think the gentleman has left. We will try to get that on the air. We ask any other members of the press who may be in the hearing room at this time to try to make that information available and we will ask, Mr. Conner, do you think you could ask your people, your local people, to make a call over to the local stations?

MR. CONNER: Yes, Your Honor. We will do that but the one problem is, of course, that you can't be sure you will reach all of the people of the media.

JUDGE HOYT: No. We can't reach everyone. We can only make our best effort and if you will have someone call the more popular radio station, I don't know the stations in this area, of course.

> SPEAKER FROM THE FLOOR: It should be the TV station. JUDGE HOYT: And the TV station.

MR. CONNER: I will see what can be done by the

experts.

JUDGE HOYT: That is all we ask. Thank you.

MS. MULLIGAN: Judge Hoyt, Limerick Ecology Action did call all the local press, the TV press and anyone we expected to come in terms of the press.

JUDGE HOYT: I think the vans is the thing. We want to get the information to the public that these vans will be made available today and that they will be available for transporting persons from the Holiday Inn over here and then return them to the hotel.

SPEAKER FROM THE FLOOR: What was the reason for the change?

JUDGE HOYT: I think we made an opening statement this morning concerning that and maybe you should look at that in the transcript.

SPEAKER FROM THE FLOOR: Could you repeat it? I came late and I would like to know.

JUDGE HOYT: No, ma'am. I don't wish to repeat it because if I did I might leave out something or I might add something that might distort the facts.

SPEAKER FROM THE FLOOR: You are mad enough already and you don't want to get madder by repeating it.

JUDGE HOYT: Unless we have any other questions about our van service, I would like to start with Mr. Frank Warner.

(No response.)

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JUDGE HOYT: Mary Jo Maak.

JUDGE COLE: She has already spoken.

JUDGE HOYT: This one is Stowe, Pennsylvania. Is

that the same one?

JUDGE COLE: Yes.

JUDGE HOYT: Reverend Chester L. Mackewicz.

STATEMENT OF REV. CHESTER L. MACKEWICZ

MR. MACKEWICZ: Hello everybody. I trut that you can hear me and I trust as a minister, too, I am concerned about the public as well as anyone else and I am deeply concerned with what is going on in the country. I see what is happening and I took notice of what had transpired here in our newspapers we read this morning.

I feel that this was a deliberate thing that was made and this way made it inconvenient for the public to get here. That is unfair. I trust that we will consider every detail of this operation because I believe that there are numerous individuals who are involved.

I feel in my heart that government officials are involved and many others are involved who are well-to-do because there is great money in this and money talks today. We are living in a day when money talks.

But everyone is not bought, thank God. So because of it, we want to bring to your attention that these things are to be considered. First, I would like to bring to your

attention that everyone who is a citizen write the names of government officials and all those who have any authority in any locality who they are and find out. This is an unfair thing when we think of what has been taking place because they built this thing and now they call the public and they want to know what we think of it when it has already been proven by Three Mile Island, Peach Bottom and other places of the failures that have taken place and because of people who have suffered because of what had taken place.

JUDGE HOYT: Excuse me just a moment. Let's go off the record for a moment.

(Discussion off the record.)

JUDGE HOYT: I apologize for the interruption. Please continue. We are all very interested in what you are saying.

MR. MACKEWICZ: Like I said, I believe those in higher authority are stockholders and for things that have taken place like they have, I feel it is very unfair without getting really the vote of the public in general and really bringing out the information that is necessary so that everybody would know what is being done.

I feel that even our properties have gone down in value because of this. I live in Pottstown. I have lived here over 40 years and spent quite a few years of my life here and have travelled the country, observed what is going

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around. I will tell you, dear ones, we need to pray. I feel this, too. I am just not as it were a pastor of a church. I am God's representative, too. One thing is, I want to say this, with those who take unfair advantage of the general public, God Almighty sees it and the curse is going to come on those who deliberately take advantage of the general public.

May God have mercy on these people. I will tell you, you are going to see different ones where judgment is going to come on them because of unfair practices and that is why different ones are going off with diseases that are incurable and doctors can't do a thing about it. These are results of unfairness.

You see, God is the judge and I know one thing is that by the grace of God that we can pray and I believe we will see some things done and if we can't do anything about it, God can move in. So may God have mercy on us is my prayer.

May the good Lord guide us in this here and be very careful or what is taking place here, we need to be concerned about it and let's inform others, too. I just regret that what had taken place and we were prepared to go up to the Holiday Inn and here we discovered after I went out to get a newspaper, it is in the newspaper. This is unfair and many people cannot get here. But I am glad that they have made a provision now that they can come by bus and

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I would say this, too. Should an evacuation take place, who is going to stand the expense? It certainly will not be the government and it certainly will not be PE. I doubt whether they would. It would be on our own. So we need to consider this.

May the good Lord guide us in this is my prayer. Thank you.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you, sir. H. Y. Mayerson.
STATEMENT OF H. Y. MAYERSON

MR. MAYERSON: My name is Hy Mayerson. I am a local attorney. I am a father of four. I live in West Vincent Township. I am a safety attorney and I have dealt in that area for the past 15 years. I have done the agent orange litigation, started the orange litigation when no one knew what it was, thought it was a drink you got in McDonalds and I have seen what the big companies can hide and can disguise and where they can put it.

I remember speaking to my first client, Charlie

Hart, who was an all-state football player for Pottstown High,
one of their heavyweight wrestler stars, prime athlete and
instead of going to college went to Vietnam, graduated first
in his class of 200 in chemical training and wasn't taught
a thing about agent orange and died of a brain tumor induced
by agent orange.

He said to me as we looked at Limerick, he says,

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"It is like having a mad dog in your backyard," and this was after he had his lobotomy but he could speak some words and he could speak rather clearly.

I have done some major litigation against the fork lift industry. I have seat belts put on forklifts. I have better warnings and I am going to have them redesign the entire stability system of the forklift and make them do a sensible test instead of the sham test for stability they now do.

I think it is a crime that funding hasn't been made to the appropriate attorneys to give the help to Phyllis Zitzer who obviously can't afford to battle this well-funded Limerick. I am deeply concerned about the evacuation plan, that having attempted to get to Woodstock and seeing what a crowded highway can turn into, I have a fair example of what a crowd is. I face Phoenixville five o'clock traffic or nine o'clock traffic and that is nothing compared to what is about to happen. I don't know how many people in this room know that the evacuation plans are not one-way out. In fact, of the need for emergency vehicles, it is going to remain two ways until somebody figures that they better get out faster than somebody else and starts going up that other lane and then somebody else is going to see them just as you see happening on the expressway all the way, when they start going up the right hand lane when a crowd occurs and pretty soon we

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are going to have the most tremendous gridlock you have ever seen with nobody moving anyplace.

The plans presently do not call for any plans outside of the zone that they have done so that once you hit Valley Forge, it is supposed to be a desert and instead of people attempting to evacuate and blocking up that. That block up that is right outside of Valley Forge from people to get out is going to affect this whole block-up, but no. They don't want to consider this.

This will not be considered. Do you believe that?

The, tell you right up front they are not going to consider it.

I think it is insanity. I can't believe that this can go on. Corporations are formed to make big dollars and that is what we have to really recognize. That is what we are in. That is what the Vietnam War was about, so that they could manufacture planes and the chemical companies, the generals that left the Army and went into the chemical companies and then could order the supplies from their old friends that are still generals, and then dump thousands and millions of gallons of this specially-produced chemical and they are producing faster than they can dump it out of the rear end of planes.

Howard Hughes taught all these corporations a great lesson when he built the Spruce Goose. If you build something

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big enough and large enough, it doesn't ever have to work, it doesn't have to do a thing. I would content to pay the bill for Limerick. I will pay the bill. I just don't want to see it work. I don't want to see it go on line. I don't want to see the stampede that they are trying to orchestrate out of my area.

I don't know where my kids were. I know that when Three Mile Island went up, as far away as we were I suggested to my wife that she get the kids and go in the car and get as far away as she can get. She went to Block Island while in Block Island a balloon came down. The balloon came down with a note that it had been sent from a school in Wilkes Barre. So that is the kind of -- somebody here earlier talked about wind and the fact that there are no plans for wind and which way the wind will carry the plume and how when people realize that the wind is going this way, how they are going to react. I haven't seen that in the plan.

I would like the people to understand that Limerick going on line is going to immediately cost them a lot of money not only in what we have been talking about, your electric rate going up, but the present value of your home. If Limerick is stopped, if it is stopped right now, the present value of your home has to go up between 10 and 40 percent and any real estate agent can tell you that and anybody trying to sell their home while they are under the dreaded monster of

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Limerick can tell you that, too

It looks terrible. It has lights sparking. It looks like something out of science fiction and it truly is. It is so dangerous. It is so ominous. It is incredible. To think that we can possibly do an evacuation plan when we can't even have a meeting at the Pottstown hotel which all notices and inquire publications and everybody set to go to, but instead have to go into what I regard as not a neutral corner with the flat of PE emblazen there in front of the panel, all the heros from PE up there, the propaganda over there, the mics not working --

SPEAKER FROM THE FLOOR: We should thank them for the lights!

MR. MAYERSON: The electricity is working except the electricity for the mic is not working. So many things have gone wrong.

In law, we work by previous history and that is the only way you can learn anything is by previous history. Every thing they have said has been wrong. The most important thing is their estimate, that has been wrong. An agreement on where to have this meeting is wrong. The mics aren't working. The evacuation plans can't work as anybody who looks at them with any sense of real intelligence knows on its face, they cannot work. I have never seen so many people so upset about anything without a unifying cause, without a body of

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We can't afford lawyers. I can't afford to do the kind of work that I would love to do on this because I see this monster, every time I come down Burch Run Road I can see it from the top of the hill and we are terribly underfinanced.

I think that if there is anything that requires --I mean, you go into criminal court and you get yourself a lawyer as a matter of law. Marijuana is outlawed here because it is not safe supposedly. Where does the safety issue of marijuana compare to the safety issue of these monsters that they are building where they have to say, in case it goes wrong, you have to have a stampede out.

I thank you for your time.

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JUDGE HOYT: I will ask that you please don't clap or show any other demonstration, please.

Marie W. Inslee?

STATEMENT OF MARIE W. INSLEE

MS. INSLEE: First of all, could I ask you as the representatives of the NRC, what your relationship is to the Department of Energy?

JUDGE HOYT: Yes, ma'am, I'll be happy to answer the question for you.

The Department of Energy is a Cabinet Executive Branch. This is an independent agency.

JUDGE COLE: Separate agency.

JUDGE HOYT: Separate agency. Entirely separate a gency. It may be called a quasi-legislative agency, because we do have a licensing power vested in this agency, which would be a licensing function, being a legislative type of function.

MS. INSLEE: Does this mean in the future you have to limit yourself to the nuclear industry as an organization?

JUDGE HOYT: The statutory authority of this agency clearly indicates that we have the Nuclear Regulatory authority.

MS.INSLEE: Who can change that statutory authority to make it a larger area --

JUDGE HOYT: To continue our civic lesson ma'am,

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that would be the legislature. That is not a presidential decree or otherwise.

MS.INSLEE: I'm speaking to you as a very important agency of our nation, and as truly as the courts are extremely important to our safety, and to justice, you also are -- in a court of law, the person on trial is innocent until proven guilty. And I hope that you can look at the nuclear industry and say the nuclear industry is innocent of hurting one citizen of this nation. It has been a growing industry, it has had its faults, and it has had its accidents.

5000 accidents from 80 plants, 200 of which have been serious, so that ultimately I hope that you can prove that the nuclear industry is so safe that it doesn't destroy any of the innocents of this nation.

Philadelphia Electric has employed consultants at Harrisburg to draw up specific plans for different areas, and I happen to have read one which is far away, the Downeytown Plan. I read through the first three pages of it and found out that there is a ten-mile emergency zone for wind, and there is a 50-mile emergency zone -- emergency zone for ingestion.

I would like a drink of water right now, because I am serious about what I am saying, and sometimes I realize that I have fear. And anybody who does not have fear has not faced or read or studied for five years the figures that

Dederal Reporters, Inc. you have been studying. Abd I can't possibly have the information that the NRC Das.

I read the Bulletin of Atomic Scientists, I get the information of the Union of Concerned Scientists, and I haven't found anything very positive, constructive or hopeful from either of those.

I'm interested in the particulars that we have heard today about that this plan is faulty. I have come to several meetings, and I have never heard one of the energy consultants' authors uphold or explain anything that has been questioned in these plans. And I would like to have explanation before we say that this drill is a perfect drill, because the plans are not perfect.

The plans in our minds are so faulty that we have had a lawyer today, Hy Mayerson, explain, and in a note of real despondency tell us the facts. And we want the facts, and we want them to be positive and hopeful. And I praise the electric company for all the service that it has given us whenever we need something from our electric supplies. They haven't failed us. And, to think that they would be proven guilty of murder because of their decision to build a plant that is unsafe, is a terrifying thing to me.

Because I believe in the Philadelphia Electric Company.

I don't happen to be a stockholder. And if I were,

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I'm afraid they wouldn't like Board meetings.

I'm afraid that we have gone down the wrong path.

(A glass of water was handed to the witness.)

There aren't any peaceful uses of atomic energy that are safe and that work and that last 30 years. This plant, the huge plant that we see is going to be dead and buried in 30 years. And, if we only build half of it, it will cost us \$3 billion. I am saying "we" because we are paying the bill right now. Who is paying for the buses, I don't care. I mean through the NRC, Maybe we are helping pay for them.

The point is that with 5000 accidents in only 80 plants in the country for this folder -- this copy of "The Christian Science Monitor," to be on the shelf of Philadelphia Electric, is a deception. We have just heard other scientists say that we were a half our from a meltdown in TMI. You and I would be dead by now if somebody hadn't found that accident.

We are also finding out that the man who was the manager, let some other friend do half of his test for him, and even his handwriting was different. He is a criminal -innocent until he is proven guilty.

Now, the NRC right now is a judge, and it is a judge of every nuclear plant in this country, and of all the plans to sell nuclear plants abroad. I won't take time to ask them if the agreement to sell to China and Afghanistan -- well, we

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can't sell to Afghanistan. That is one place the U.S. will not sell nuclear plants. We have agreed, as I have read it, to bring back the waste to this country.

Now, I think PE ss very sensible, because they are going to store their waste at the site. Unless an airplane crashes or something like that, probably it will be well stored. But, isn't it true that in 30 years it is going to cost somebody \$80 million to make this area safe from people, that if birds fly into it or over the fence, they are dead.

strongly that all that expensive mechanism becomes so radioactive that by 30 years, or is it 25, it must be decommissioned.

So, we don't only have the cost of building it, we, who pay
the bills, also have the cost of decommissioning. And, we
could 'urn half of these lights out here and still manage.

The whole area of conservation is laughable, because people
don't believe in it.

But, I believe in the NRC, and I will believe in your integrity until 100,000 people of Chester County, of Montgomery County are dead of a nuclear accident. And, in my figuring, 25 percent of the people in this area did not participate and did not cooperate, and therefore as far as I'm concerned in a working drill and in a working accident situation, they are dead.

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Montgomery, Philadelphia County, Lancaster, Allentown and Bethlehem, because I am getting to the point that has really bugged me. I don't have 160 IQ, but I read those plans by the energy consultants in Harrisburg, and they said that there is a 50-mile radius of emergency. Don't drink the water, don't eat the daisies, don't do anything, don't breathe, because it is a 50-mile energy of ingestion emergency -- 50-mile emergency zone. I love energy, I h ope we have lots of energy.

So, that's why I ask you if you could convert to an e nergy council. Because one measly fourth of our research goes into alternative energy, and the rest into this bright giant that we have produced out of the atomic bomb.

It doesn't kill us suddenly unless there is an accident. It just kills us slowly through the years.

And, I believe in your integrity, that you read the facts. And you trust your God and you want to look at your God and say, "I have done my best."

What about that ingestion area? How can consultants write it in a book and then tell us to ignore it. How can they tell us to take people out of this area -- oh, they need 137 more buses, I have read -- and take those people to Valley Forge.

I sat for a half hour at King of Prussia because

they weren't working on the road they were working beside
the road. This was Saturday, nobody was going to business.

I sat in a line of traffic heading into King of Prussia for a
half hour moping and shifting my gears and burning gas because
of a little road repair.

Maybe you are from out of state, and you don't know that a man was shot on the expressway because somebody didn't move his car fast enough in a traffic accident, shot dead. Now, if that happens on a normal business day when we are having a terrible time getting from here to there because we ought to have learned that walking is best as you have said, if that happens any business day anywhere in Chester or Montgomery County, what about the panic factor. What about one-lane roads going south and one-lane roads coming north, what about not telling Philadelphia that you are having a crisis and having everybody rush home for dinner to find that it is fried.

Who wrote these plans? Are you here today? Don't be afraid, put your hand up. I won't say any bad words.

You better write them again. Rewrite the plans, because these are criminal, they destroy innocents, innocent people.

There was a slaughter of the innocents ages ago.

There is a race of people, a nation of people who had survived that with strength and brilliance and have helped our country.

Be not deceived, God is not mocked, if you want to speak in

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I know a doctor who told in a meeting that he had lost \$20 a month because of the problems of Philadelphia Electric. His income had been cut by \$20 a month because of the drop in the stocks and bonds. Poor thing. He was

If you want to speak in scientific terms, then they better be facts, because we are not all so dumb that we can't add two and two. Aed sometimes it turns out that we get minus four because of certain scientific facts, and certain maneuvering with the fiscal policy.

Now, this is a much wider problem then whether there is a stop light on 422. And I hope the nuclear industry takes it seriously. I have my doubts, because I went to a luncheon at which I heard someone in the company say, well, we know that emergency plans are really just cosmetic. Now, I am an eyewitness, earwitness to that statement, happily made as an aside. Now it is not an aside, it is the center of our lives whether this is going to work or not.

It is my grandchildren's lives, their lives that are precious to me. They moved out of the area of Pennsylvania because of the TMI accident, and nobody knew that half of Pennsylvania would have been gone in a half hour.

How much does it take to prove that your money does not make things right.

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ers, Inc. paying 50 percent of his income in taxes. He is in the 50 percent bracket and he was losing \$20 a month because of Philadelphia Electric.

Now, is money more important? He is a medical doctor, he does operations, and he gets thousands for what he does. And we value his fingers as the gift of God, but not his financial understanding or his investments.

Unless Philadelphia has some working system, and unless Bethleham, Allentown, even Lancaster has some working system that can communicate to hold traffic and divert it into New Jersey or Western Pennsylvania, you are not looking at the whole picture.

If you don't want a riot and panic when this accident happens -- and I don't take this copy as fact. I would like to ask who the experts are that said that we have overestimated the problems. When experts study the result of the reactor accident at Three Mile Island, they made a startling discovery, startling. What happened there together with the data from a handful of other reactor accidents -- just a few others -- revealed that official estimates of the danger of radioactive materials escaping in such accidents are grossly in error. And, they didn't say which direction, but they meant, why bother, don't worry about it.

And, a week before this came out in the paper I read it, I believe yesterday, in the Inquirer, don't worry,

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not nearly so much -- not to worry.

People who also are experts, said that they had no idea how close we were. They now believe that we came to within a half hour of not alarm, no, no, a meltdown of the stones of the earth, a spread of real horror across the Snate of Pennsylvania.

Now, if you haven't been doing your reading -- I don't mean just going to see China Syndrome, that is a surface, superficial Hollywood spotlight version. Some people have to face the spotlight all the time and it is all on the s urface. If you don't read and you don't find out what it is really about -- there is a 400 percent higher rate of leukemia around the shipyards, in the shipyards of Portsmouth, New Hampshire from the nuclear subs, than anywhere else in the area.

If you aren't collecting these nuggets that will save your life, then you are sitting here letting it happen. It isn't just what streets should be used, or how they are going to get people on stretchers out of nursing homes. What it's saying is, that if we lose 100,000 people, oh, that's a shame.

But, I don't know whether the nation would tolerate an accident that took away Philadelphia, Bethlehem, Allentown, this beautiful valley of ours, this exquisite valley.

I could tolerate looking at the towers if

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Philadelphia Electric would convert them to proven safe fossil fuels as a huge company has done. It is not too late. As I have said to one of your officials, you would deserve the Nobel Prize if, right now you had the courage to stop and use your land and your construction and your authority to build a fossil fuel plant, coal or oil, which has proven technology to cut down acid rain. Even though the White House has hidden the report, it is true.

You want to go fishing, let's preserve the fish.

It is one of the reasons we don't want any pumping station at Point Pleasant, because finally the shad have returned.

Not all the dead Indians that wandered this beautiful country once. We wiped them out.

Now, let's not let nuclear energy wipe us out now. Thank you.

JUDGE HOYT: TKank you.

Mr. Ronald E. Monro.

STATEMENT OF RONALD EDMUND MONRO

MR. MONRO: My name is Ronald Edmund Monro,

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I have sat and listened and culled from my comments some of the comments I was going to make. I would hope that the comments I am about to make will be relevant to some of the comments that people would be making if they could be here.

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I would like to state too, as other people have stated, I am not antinuclear. And I say that emphatically. I think that eventually this nation will be energized by nuclear energy.

I am not against diesel engines, but I was against General Motors converting the block for their production diesel engines, to get on the bandwagon of diesel cars for the use of diesel fuels too soon. That best analgizes how I feel about what I am about to say about Limerick.

I am against Limerick. I have been on record as being against Limerick, and I would hope that the statements I am about to make, finally show why.

I would like first to address the surroundings as they were addressed by Mr. Mayerson. Maybe there was a clash of emotion that caused us to be here today.

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I would like to go to the other side of the coin, however, and state that it perked my mind to say, when someone said, what do we expect from PECO: Historically, PECO has been dependable, historically PECO has been reliable, both with our money and our services, Because of that and because of the plush surroundings that I find myself in whenever confronting PECO, I would say categorically

We have elaborate surroudings that cost money. We have waste that is documented. We have mistakes that have been made that cost money. Some of those mistakes were from imprudent decisions. They cost money, and we are paying for that.

that I expect the absolute best from PECO -- the best.

I guess those bother me, but what bothers me even more than that is to sit in on meetings, planning meetings, and to hear people say, we asked PECO for \$11,000 worth of equipment, most of which we didn't need, and they wrote us out a check. And they took us out for London Broil.

I haven't lived that well ever. They treat you right.

The township is Royersford. I would be glad to state the day that meeting took place. The quote was \$11,000 of equipment.

It seemed, as I was listening to some of the other

speakers and eliminating some of the topics that I wanted to speak about, that there seemed to be some kind of validity that should be stated, that should be documented, by the speakers as though we have to have credentials to speak up here.

I would like to state that I am a father.

I am a grandfather. I am a veteran. I am a

certified public school teacher. I am certified to

teach science in this Commonwealth. I am certified to

teach safety education in this Commonwealth. And I have

taught science, earth science, biology, and chemistry in

this Commonwealth.

I have held jobs that I have worked in my profession. I have taught high school. I have worked for the Insurance Company of North America in their safety division, and have worked with industry, some of which were the International Business Machines, Electric Boat, Scott Paper, Fairchild Camera, and several other major corporations of the United States.

I am presently chairman of the Skippack Citizens

Committee. I became chairman of the Skippack Citizens

Committee because of the concerns I am stating. I would

hope that the credentials I bring here to be valid to what

I am saying to you are accepted in the vein that they are

offered -- that they are true and honest, sincere, as I am

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sure they were of previous speakers.

In my office, I have sitting over -- hanging over my desk a statement that, in arriving home from Europe, I wrote on a piece of paper and had it framed and it has been hanging over my desk in my office ever since. It says, "I do not believe what people say; I only believe what people do." Ron Munro, 1958. That is the last time I came home from Europe. I kissed the ground at McGuire Air Force Base. I put that piece of paper in my pocket which I had written on the Red Cross plane coming home. And it has been framed over my desk ever since.

I care about my children. I care about my grandchildren. I care, so I behave in a caring way. I care, so I regulate my actions and my behavior to show that I care. I show love, and I say to my children, almost on a daily basis, I love you, I love you very much.

In spite of our disagreements, in spite of all the problems that parents go through with children and the pain we feel between each other, I love my children and they love me.

I heard a speaker this morning say that she was a parent and that she cared. I saw that same person, when their child was crying out in that hall, grab -- as many of you did -- grab that child by the arm -- it was no

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more than three or four years old -- pull that child off the ground and pull the child away from what obviously was bothering her as an exhibition of typical childhood behavior.

I am sure she was not aware of acutely traumatized dislocation which she might have caused in pulling that child's arm the way she did and lifting that child off the ground. But I say, God forgives ignorance sometimes. I forgive her for not knowing what she did was maybe a knee jerk reaction to a response, maybe for the wrong reasons, but I suggest that I care for my children, so I learn as much as I can about living and about treating them as possible. And I would hope that I don't stop learning what I need to know in this life time to be a responsible person on this earth.

I suggest that that person learn about how you can hurt children other than by being comfortable with an evacuation plan. I would be willing to offer her several physicians' names who could give her a short lecture on acutely traumatized dislocation in children.

In the hallway, I spoke to an elderly gentlemen who said, I wonder if what we are going to be saying her carries any weight. I said, I don't know, but we have to do it. We have to say it. It has to be said; whether people hear it or not, that is something else.

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I am going to say it. Limerick is in the wrong spot. Limerick should not be where it is. There has been a deception from the beginning, some of minor magnitude, some of major magnitude. The bottom line is that there should not be a Limerick where it is. It is after the fact and some people are saying we have to live with after the fact. And the elderly gentleman and myself might talk about how much good saying does. I have to say it, as he did. I applaud him verbally, if we are not to physically, I applaud the man for coming today and saying what he said.

Greaterford prison is about a quarter of a mile from my home. Up until about six weeks ago, the supervisors of Skippack township knew very little about the plans to evacuate Greaterford. 2200 maximum security inmates at Greaterford. I have been a counsellor at Greaterford on and off over the years. I have spent time inside of Greaterford. I would surely like to see, and I would gladly reactivate my clearance with the United States Army and vow never to divulge that if they made -- I would love to see the evacuation plan for Greaterford prison. Another deception that they were going to be accepted at Ft. Indiantown Gap. That is not true. There have never been plans actuated for the prisoners to go to Indiantown Gap. Another deception.

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Another point, this next April, the bridge that crosses the Perkiomen at Route 113, Route 113 is going to be closed for a year and a half. There are no plans on how that type of networking road system could be most efficiently used to accommodate that particular year and a half incident.

know little of and the bridge being rebuilt might prove to be a very hazardous situation that up to this point I have not seen mentioned in any plans. I have read at least a dozen of the plans, including the Montgomery County plan and, for those of the Philadelphia Electric that are here, they know that I have quoted it in public many times.

I suggest, too, that what I am saying be understood. I am not saying that Philadelphia Electric people are bad people. I am not saying that so much that those of us that are involved in this, have become involved in this, that they are pre-planning all of this as some kind of undercover operation, when I mentioned the word "deception." But it is a very difficult aspect of our life that when something like this is thrust upon us, that common citizens must be called upon to fight, to literally get in combat with such a multi-billion dollar outfit as Philadelphia Electric and expect to win.

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I heard in the hall, I heard Mrs. Maak say, Some of these anti-nukers might go to jail for the fear that they are causing.

JUDGE HOYT: Excuse me, sir.

I honestly am astounded at your discourtesy t this group. You have been repeatedly asked quietly from the bench, our clerk, by others to please not flash this camera in the room in violation of the very rules that you were given when you came in.

Sir, I find you a very, very contemptous individual. I don't understand what it would do to take you out of this discourteous mode that you are in. If it is to call attention to yourself, I think you have succeeded in your effort.

Now, there are ways of having you removed, believe you me, and I am not above doing it. I am going to ask you once more not to use a flash in this room in accordance with the rules of this Commission.

(Photographer took a flash picture.) JUDGE HOYT: Sir, would you leave the room, please, before these hearings continue?

> VOICE: I will leave when I am through. JUDGE HOYT: Sir, would you please leave the

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JUDGE HOYT: Mr. Smith and Miss Nostadt and Miss Zeppelin, could you come back this afternoon? Are those persons here?

MS. ZEPPELIN: I am here, and it is not easy for me to come back this afternoon.

JUDGE HOYT: Well, we want to hear you this morning. We don't want to inconvenience you.

How about the other two? Mr. Smith?

MR. SMITH: I will try to come back.

JUDGE HOYT: Would it be inconvenient, sir?

MR. SMITH: I have got the whole rest of the

JUDGE HOYT: Ms. Nostadt?

MS. NOSTADT: I would like to speak this morning, if possible.

JUDGE HOYT: All right. We will take you then.

Would you please continue?

MR. MUNRO: I would like to state that the interruption is not bothersome to me at all. I think it is necessary that the press be --

JUDGE HOYT: Let me remind you and the other members of the public who are here that the rules of this Commission permit the use of cameras in the

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hearing room. However, it is clearly stated in the rules and the press releases that this Commission has put out and in the instructions to the photographers who have come here that only the available room light will be used.

Thank you, sir.

MR. MUNRO: Thank you.

I was speaking of the fear that was being alluded to in the hallway when Mrs. Maak stated that some of the people who were anti-nukers might end up in jail for causing the fear and the paranois that was being caused by our behavior.

I suggest that there are many of us who have become involved in this kind of proceeding and in this kind of movement just because of the Three Mile Island deception about which we are still learning.

I suggest that that particular kind of comment is in no way comparable. That is, that we are causing more fear than TMI caused. I think only history will tell, to shorten my comments on this, only history will tell how much TMI caused, how much damage, both mentally, physically, and probably spiritually, too.

Going back to my original statement, just to refresh people's memories, I was talking about how people are not bad. I don't think Philadelphia Electric people

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Co-Pederal Reporters, Inc. are bad. They might be misinformed about us and those of us who are involved in the way that we are.

I would say that the simple explanations are that cigarettes, as was mentioned, were not harmful, they might, when I was in high school, at status symbol of manhood, moving from one state of life to another; alcohol, as a matter of fact, was okay. It was almost a give your son or daughter their first drink at Thanksgiving or Christmas or a wedding or something.

Now we are finding out years later that alcohol is, in fact, addictive, that alcohol does cause disease, that alcohol is, in fact, the third killer of people in the United States.

I collect Old National Geographics as another simple example. I read an article on the SS Savannah, the first nuclear powered vessel that was in 1963, was built in 1963 and was said to be the most economical vessel afloat. Energy the size of a pea to have it travel for 40 years. God knows where it would go in 40 years, but it would have it travel for 40 years. It was decommissioned in 1973. It was too expensive for the United States Government to run. God knows how expensive that is, since the United States Government seldom looks at cost.

In conclusion, just a few thoughts. I know some of the pelple that I go to meetings with and people that

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come to see meetings that I have organized might have me bite my tongue when I say this one. I think that there is something to the fact that a rag tag bunch of people, like those connected with Limerick Ecology Action, can bring about so much protective thought.

We don't have the money. We don't have the numbers. We don't have the time because unlike most of the people that are here, those of us that are here, we are paying for this out of our own pockets.

We have very little to go by. And yet, people are stopping and listening and they are learning. They are learning about things in the nuclear industry that, if it weren't for PECO, if it weren't for Limerick, they would never have learned. They are learning how people can cooperate. They are learning how townships have a responsibility to what goes on in those townships. They are learning how you can fight the monster, that the United States is still a place where Americans have their say.

When I was in the service, I tell you, I had trouble finding a hero. Most of us were there because we didn't want to be there, but I think many are starting to realize who the heros are.

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scerederal Reporters, Inc. I thank PECO for doing in this indirect way what has been needed for this country for a long time, this easy-living environment where people have been given so much and had to fight for it so seldom. I thank PECO for waking us up and on July 25th after thinking this thought, I saw down on a radio station with Ralph Nader and out in the parking lot, he confirmed it, after he and I shared two hours on a radio show, he said to me, you won't find it in your life time but history will tell that the heros are the people who fought it not the people who went along with it.

I would hope that years from now this Commission would be seen as heros. I thank you.

JUDGE HOYT: Ms. Nostadt.

STATEMENT OF KAREN NOSTADT

MS. NOSTADT: My name is Karen Nostadt. I am a resident of Lower Frederick Township and I guess I have to go through the credentials, but I am a mother, I am self-employed, I work in North Town, Redhill, Bluebell, several places and my children go to school in a parachoial school in Lower Frederick Township and my husband is a teacher and we not connected with Philadelphia Electric.

JUDGE COLE: You are not required to give all those credentials.

MS. NOSTADT: I would like you to see where I am coming from once I get started. I have a few notes, actually

with the previous speaker that said that Limerick is in the wrong place and my reasoning for that is that we have a very highly populated area here. The first time I became involved with these evacuation plans was as a member of the Homen School Board in a small parachial school.

We went to a meeting with energy consultants and

quite a lot, and I hope you will forgive that. I agree

We went to a meeting with energy consultants and the principals to discuss these evacuation plans which would be about a year ago in February or March, so it has been a long time that I have been involved in these evacuation plans.

I didn't really notice Limerick much as it was being built, didn't really notice that it was here until I had to sit down and face the fact of what my children were going to do in the event that there was an accident here. I never really thought about the fact that there could be an accident but when I had to sit down and really picture what would happen to my children if my husband I were out of the area and unable to pick them up.

I feel very strongly about this because it has been so long and I have so many things I want to say and I hope I don't mess it up. The problems with the plan, the assumptions on which it is based are wrong. Number one, they assume that it is possible to bring 500 buses from outside the tenmile radius to supply the unmet needs for buses. It is

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impossible. They feel that thousands of volunteers will cooperate with this plan, impossible. They feel that our road system can evacuate this huge population in four to six hours. This is Philadelphia Electric's time frame. That is impossible.

The notification in the plan is to late for us to evacuate. I observed on the drill on July 25th that the County and the notification to the public did not go out until about 45 minutes after the fourth stage was called. It was 45 minutes after the fourth stage was called that the sirens went off and then the people were supposed to turn on their radios and listen to a notice that they were to evacuate. That was about an hour and a half after the fourth stage was called.

Then they would have another four to six hours to evacuate. According to the plan in the fourth stage, you have imminent or already radioactive release. The notification is entirely too late in this plan.

Also, I wonder if the NRC is under the impression that these plans have been adopted. They have not. It is really amazing to me. Our township has not adopted this plan. Our school has not adopted this plan and here you are sitting here in this meeting talking about these plans as if this is the plan.

Our township met. We had 50 people in our township

and some of the things that they felt that were wrong with the plan, I will tell you. The plans are not adopted. Our township has not adopted these plans. As far as I know, I know of no township in our area that has adopted these plans. The people are beginning to get very upset now

that they are finding out what is in them.

We had 50 people at our township meeting and almost everyone said that the notification was not early enough.

We want to know what is happening at the plant. We want to make our own decisions about when we will leave instead of having to wait for an hour and a half after the fourth stage for the governors to tell us to evacuate.

The sirens are not loud enough. There are not enough of them. The sirens sound like fire sirens. They are supposed to be one continuous sound but because they rotate, it goes up and down. It modulates just like a fire siren and you cannot tell the difference.

The fire companies and the volunteers refuse to participate in some instances. Skippack Fire Company voted 33 to nothing not to participate. I went to the October Township meeting of Skippack Township which adjoins ours because I was interested in what was happening with the Graterford prison problem.

At the Skippack Township meeting in October the fire chief said that they had voted 33 to nothing to have

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want to be involved in any radioactive exposure. According
to the plan by definition in the fourth stage you have
imminent radioactive release or it is already coming out.

He said that he discussed this problem with energy consultants
and told them that they wanted earlier notification and
earlier evacuation because the fire company wouldn't have
anything to do with it when it got to the fourth stage.

He said that the energy consultants told him that the plans were so far along that they probably could not be changed and that it appeared that no one else in the county felt that way when in fact, our township had sent a letter to the county telling them we wanted earlier evacuation and Lower Providence has done a study and has come up with a long report on all of the problems that they feel are in the plan and one of the major ones is that the notification is too late.

the main problems, volunteers in the townships.

There are not enough volunteers to do all the local route alerting, that is, riding around the townships and letting disabled people know that there is a problem.

Philadelphia Electric frained over 200 of their own employees to go out and be the local volunteers in the July drill. There were, I believe, 237 volunteers. There were

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supposedly volunteers from Philadelphia Electric. They were trained on Philadelphia Electric time and they went out to their own townships and were the volunteers so-to-speak because there were not enough local volunteers to do the route alerting and all the other activities.

In our township which is Lower Frederick Township, we have an employee of Philadelphia Electric who has signed up to take four of the possible ten positions that are needed on our evacuation plan. He brought in his own father to be our RACES operator. His father lives in Wayne, Pennsylvania which is 45 minutes to one hour away from our township.

There is another RACES operator in our township but during the July drill, they found out two hours after the RACES operators were supposed to be in place that upper Frederick County did not have a RACES operator and they sent the one RACES operator from Lower Frederick Township up there which means that we were left with this Philadelphia Electric employee who happens to be a friend of ours, lives down the street from us and our children play together. I have nothing against him.

It is just that he has a vested interest in this but I have a vested interest because I want to protect my family.

Anyway, back to what I was saying, so he had signed up to take four of the possible ten positions and his father

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who lives in Wayne is a RACES operator.

Disabled people, there are not enough resources to take out the disabled people. We have one ambulance corps in our township. They have two ambulances and they also have to take in some of the other townships because some of the other adjoining townships do not have their own ambulances.

The training session that is supposed to be given to the township is a public relations effort and I would suggest that the NRC ask Philadelphia Electric and Energy Consultants if they could see that training session.

The training session is a public relations
exercise and I have been told that in Skippack Township
this training exercise, there is an Energy Consultants man
who was giving like a speech to the township supervisors and
they stopped him when they realized that this was supposed to
be the training they were supposed to be receiving.

They said, is this the training that is supposed to be happening under this plan? Energy Consultants said, "Yes, this is the training." The supervisor said that I don't believe this is adequate training so stop. You are not training us for anything. You are just giving us a public relations gimmick. That was in Skippack Township.

In our township, they haven't done a training session yet with the supervisors.

eral Reporters, Inc. Back to some of the other problems, I would like to discuss the schools because my children go to a parochial school which is located in Perkiomen and Valley School District. As I was on the Board of the officers of the Homen School Association, I was involved in the evacuation plans and we were under the impression that we had our own separate plan.

Then about in January of this year, we found out that we did not have our own separate plan, that our plan was covered under Perkiomen and Valley school district.

I went to the superintendent's office and asked to see a copy of the plan and I reviewed it. This plan had been adopted by Perkiomen and Valley School District in November of 1983.

This was, I believe, draft three.

In that draft when I went into the superintendent's office, I looked up the page that had to do with our school, St. Mary's School. Everything on that page was blank. It said "To be determined." There were no buses, there was no evacuation route, everything was blank.

I went back to our Homen School Board and we had a meeting of parents who were interested and we discussed what we were going to do. We decided we would try to find out exactly what was going on so we sent one member of our group, one member was supposed to talk and find out about the plan, and go to the district superintendent. That was me.

Coderal Reporters, Inc. Another person was supposed to talk to Father and Sister of our parish and find out exactly what they had been notified of from Energy Consultants. We found out that the only thing that they had ever been notified of from Energy Consultants, the County or the School District was the fact that we had received this copy of the plan and we had had one meeting and that was the one meeting that I was at.

We sent another member of our committee over to Corpus Christie School in Landsdale which is supposed to be where we are supposed to go in the event of an evacuation. At that school the principal said that she didn't know anything about it. She didn't know anything about these evacuation plans in our school and St. Eleanor's School of Collegeville were supposed to go there.

So she called the pastor in who happens also to be a teacher in the school to find out what the story was. The pastor told her that he didn't know anything about it, oh yes, he did remember that last year, a year ago, someone from Philadelphia Electric came and said if we had a problem over at Limerick and we had to move out the children from St. Eleanor's and St. Mary's, would you be able to help us out? Being a pastor of the Catholic Church and a teacher in the school, what else could he say? So he signed a paper that said yes, they would take our children in.

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After that, they had had no notification. They had no training. They had no notification of what they were supposed to have in the way of supplies, what was supposed to happen with the children, what medical supervision there would be, if there would be nurses, if the teachers were supposed to stay. They had nothing. They told the member of our committee that they did not have food resources at the school. The children brought their own lunches. All they had was like some hot dogs. They had hot dogs in the freezer, a few hot dogs for Hot Dog Day once a month.

They did not have food supplies. They didn't know what to do. They had had no notification.

On the other hand, we had been told by the county that everything is being taken care of. "Don't worry about it. Everything is being taken care of," when, in fact, it hadn't. When we went and researched the facts, okay, what do you know about this aspect of protecting our children.

Nobody seemed to know.

Valley School District meeting which was in April of this year and presented them with all these facts and asked them what their responsibility to our school was supposed to be.

They told us that they believed that their only responsibility was for notification only, that all they had to do was notify us. They had no responsibility for our buses.

The fact is that Perkiomen Valley School District did not have enough buses to bus all of its own children. It was utilizing, in the plan it utilizes every van, every car, every mode of transportation that the District owns. They are able to transport out every public school child except for one busload. But located in Perkiomen and Valley School District, there is St. Mary's parochial school, there is St. Eleanor's School in Collegeville and there are a couple of small day cure centers.

I pointed out to them that in the plan that they adopted it said that the school district resources were supposed to be used first to evacuate the schools that were closest to the plant. St. Eleanor's is closer to the plant than the public school that is located in Schwenksville which is Perkiomen and Valley North. I pointed that out to them and they were very surprised to find that out, that their public school transportation person had allocated all of the public school buses to transport all of the public school kids and there was no transportation available for the parochial school kids.

They were very surprised that they were supposed to do that, that the buses should have gone to St. Eleanor's first and that they should have come up with the extras to fill the complement.

As a result of that meeting, they called the County

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and requested a meeting with the Energy Consultants, the County and our school representative. They did call such a meeting.

This meeting was secret. It was not known to the public.

It was only called for the school officials of the schools.

Father Brinkman from Collegeville went to that meeting.

There was another meeting about a month later and that was at the County Emergency Operation Center. That meeting was called. Several members of the press including the Collegeville Independent attempted to attend that meeting. I called up the County supervisor as the president of the Homen School Association and asked to be able to attend that meeting and was told that I was not allowed to, that they had limited space. But Father Brinkman who is the Assistant Pastor at St. Eleanor's was not allowed to go that meeting either. He did not receive an invitation was because he asked the relevant questions at the previous meeting about where these buses were going to come from.

also, Perkiomen Valley School District I went to the working meeting of their school board a month later and they said that they told the County they do not want to have any responsibility for the parachial schools, that the County is supposed to come up with our buses, that they don't want to have the responsibility and they are going to have to take that out of the plan.

Oderal Reporters, Inc. So that leaves us, the parochial schools, with no buses as we have none of our own buses and the county plan at this point is that we are to rely on a pool of buses. This pool is supposed to assemble someplace on the other side of Landsdale. It is supposed to consist of buses drawn from the area and I asked Mr. Bigelow myself, where these buses were supposed to come from. I was at the Perkiomen and Valley School District meeting, the working session, when they read a letter that they had received from the county asking them to sign and say that they would give buses and drivers whenever needed for any emergency purpose in the county. The Perkiomen and Valley School District was asked to sign that.

At that working session they said that they would have to vote on it the next week at their regular board meeting. The next week at their regular board meeting they voted not to sign it and the reason was that they didn't feel that they could give buses and drivers at any time and that letter of commitment that they were being asked to sign said that they would at any time give buses and drivers and they did not feel that they could do that if they were transporting their own children, how could they give a bus since there buses were all out there and all their drivers out there. They could not commit to it.

deral Reporters, Inc. I asked him if that is the way our buses were going to be supplied, were they sending letters of commitment to all these school districts around the ten-mile radius and asking for buses in that manner and he said, "Yes, they were."

He had mentioned something to our principal about our buses coming from Hatfield-Horshan. I said, "Do they know?" I heard the letter of commitment that was read at the Perkiomen and Valley Schol District meeting. I said, "Do they know that their bus drivers, do their bus drivers realize that that includes Limerick because that letter of commitment did not include Limerick." It did not mention Limerick by name. He said, "Yes, it does." I said, "Did you revise the letter?" He hemmed and hawed and didn't give me an answer.

So I question whether or not the Hatfield-Horshan
School District realizes or any other school district that
signed a letter of commitment for buses, for our pool of
buses, to supply those unmet needs, if they realize that that
includes Limerick.

Also, I wonder what happens if the emergency when we are supposed to evacuate happens when Hatfield-Horshan is busing their own children home for the day. The public school kids in our school district are going to be out and we are going to be sitting there waiting for buses to come from an hour away when they are already on a route getting out, they are already on their routes home.

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Okay, our parochial school children are going to be evacuated at least two hours later than the public school children. I'm not calling it discrimination or whatever, but it is just unfair. You know, we have got to have a better plan than that.

There are unmet needs for buses in the Township.

There are two to three buses needed, even the smallest

Township like ours to take out disabled residents.

The total number of buses needed by this County plan is incredible. There is something like over 500 buses needed, not counting Graterford Prison. Graterford Prison has 2200 inmates. If they can put 40 people on a bus, they need 55 buses. Okay. This is an incredible number.

I am afraid that when it comes down to it our children are going to be sitting there waiting for buses which will never appear.

This pool of buses that is supposed to materialize on the other side of Lansdale will perhaps have 50 buses, where 100 buses are needed to get everyone out.

I am particularly concerned about the parochial schools and the day care centers. Day care centers don't have any buses either.

So, the parents of children who are in day care centers are out working some other places. If they work in Norristown or Valley Forge, there is no way they will be able

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to get back in.

These are real problems that I wish the NRC would ask the appropriate questions of the County and energy consultants to see exactly what is going on.

Okay. Let me go back to the schools again. The school districts have not drilled. There has not been a drill of the school district. There has not even been a notification drill of the schools. The only drill was on July 25th. At that time there were not even the calls made to the schools.

I observed at the County, because I asked to be put on. I wanted to see what was going on at the County and what exactly they were doing. There were ten individuals who were supposed to be calling all the various sections of the population. There was one for businesses, one for schools, one for fire, police, et cetera.

And I asked Mr. Bigelow, when are these people called in. This is called the staff of the Emergency Operations Center. I asked him when will these people be called in?

He said, it is my discretion. In the plan there is no particular time when these people are all supposed to be called to come into the center. The center is staffed by a small group of County people who are there all the time to handle all the fire and everything like that.

The rest of the staff that is supposed to help out

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He said that it is up to his discretion when to call them.

This drill on July 25th, there were three unusual events, and then there was the alert stage. It started at about 10 o'clock in the morning with the unusual events, and there were about three of them. And the alert stage was called approximately 4:30.

These people started arriving at 2 o'clock. And, supposedly, our County Emergency Coordinator called these people in when it became obvious to him, even though it was only an unusual event, which is stage 1, which is only where somebody, according to Energy Consultants, somebody falls down and trips on the way to a switch. Okay. This is the lowest stage.

At this point, our County person called in these people who are supposed to call all the rest of the community.

Okay. They arrived at approximately 2 o'clock and started calling people. Even though I don't think that they were supposed to at that time. But, the person who was in charge of schools came up to a County personnel about -before she was supposed to leave, which was about 5:30, I think it was. And we had only come to the alert stage. She came up to the C'unty person and said, I have to go, I have

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a meeting tonight. I have to go and have supper, I have this meeting. So, she just walked out.

So, for the rest of the evening, the chair for the schools person was empty. There was no backup, there was no one there. They never went through the drill of calling the schools, when they got to the part where they were supposed to be notified to evacuate.

Okay. So, they haven't even had an evacuation drill. They have not had any type of drill. There were not enough buses which I pointed out to you.

The plans are not adopted. Perkiomen Valley School District adopted their plan at Draft 3, with almost every page at the end a blank where -- you should see all the pages of unmet needs. I think I happen to have that copy of the draft, and you are welcome to look at it if you would like to. They adopted it at that stage with unmet needs. And the reason being they had a Philadelphia Electric Employee on the Board of the school, which is the only reason why I can see that they would adopt it in November before the rest of the public was even considering these plans.

Okay. In the school plan sheltering is one of the options. And this is the thing that really upset me. When I sat down with the principal of our school and the Energy Consultants' man about sheltering. We were asking him, okay, what happens? Supposing we get to the fourth stage and we

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have to do something because there is radioactivity coming?
Okay.

He said, probably you will have to shelter, because by then it will probably be too late to evacuate everyone.

Sheltering would mean -- and Sister pulled out these little aluminum sheets that had come in the mail in a little package this big -- (Indicating) -- pulled these out that had come in the mail. She is supposed to cover herself with these down to her feet. And, if she had to walk over to the hall for anything, that is what she is supposed to cover herself with. There were two of them. Okay.

Sheltering consisted of the principal putting on those things so that she could move around outside the building. Everyone inside the building, they were supposed to close all outside vents, close all windows and put wet rags over the children's noses. Okay. That was what sheltering was supposed to be.

That was when I initially started to get very upset about these plans. And, when I initially started to investigate these plans, the Township plan, the Perkiomen plan and the others, the more I read the more distressed I became.

Sheltering is an impossibility in our school. Okay. We have all women teachers. There are vents built into the building. They are in the ceiling, they are in the roof

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above the ceiling. There is no way that anybody in a moment's notice could get up there and close those vents. It is an institution that has built-in ventilation.

Within two hours, at least, even if they had all the windows closed, the air inside would be as radioactive as the air outside. Sheltering is not a possibility, it is a totally inadequate option and should be taken from the plan.

And I wish the NRC would question those because they are using — they are proposing to us that that is an option. It is not an option, it is not a protection of the public. It is not a protection of our children or any other person who is located in an institution where there is built—in ventilation. Okay.

The schools, according to the plans, they are only to be evacuated after the fourth stage when the general populace is evacuated. That is far too late.

In the case of our schools, we would still be waiting for buses two hours -- two to three hours after the fourth stage had been called. Evacuation is too late.

The things is that schools are considering earlier evacuation. Schools are considering the possibility of evacuating the schools at the second or the third stage.

Possibly the second stage because the third stage, according to what the Energy Consultants told Skippack Township and what they told me at our first meeting, the third stage is

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what TMI would have been.

We asked them what Three Mile Island would have been considered as. I asked them that, what would Three Mile Island have been considered as in terms of these?

He said third stage, which is site emergency.

I mean, that means we would never have gotten to the stage of evacuation. Our children would be sitting there. We'd have radiation fluttering over. They might not even know, they might be sitting there with wet cloths over their noses.

The parents don't know what to do about picking up their kids. Our principal sent us out a letter and said, what do you want us to do with your children in the event of a n emergency at Limerick? WHot do you want us to do? Do you want us to keep your kids here and you pick them up, or do you want us to wait or just put them on the buses when they arrive?

Parents have been coming up to the principal and to me as the President of the Homen School saying that they don't know what to decide, because number one, we don't know if these buses are ever going to arrive. If we are working in Norristown, how can we depend on the fact that these buses are going to show?

Okay. Number two, it is a choice. I mean, like if I happen to be home that day, I'm going to go pick up my kids.

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If I'm not home, I want them to be sure to be taken away.

But, Sister said she will sit there right with the kids whose parents say that they want to pick them up. So that means -- so what do you decide, what do you do?

And, it is a real problem for the parochial school parent. It really is. And you know, like I said, I hope that you will ask the appropriate questions.

Okay, another problem with that particular evacuation plan for our school is that in this area the prevailing winds are from west to east. We are located about -- we are located a little north and east of Limerick. But we are to be evacuated to Corpus Christi in Lansdale, which is east of where we are.

So, we are being evacuated in the path of the prevailing winds.

Corpus Christi is just over the ten-mile like. I've had parents who say, you know, they live right next door to Corpus Christi and they are very upset that that is where our children are going to go because it is just outside of the ten-mile radius. In our first meeting with Energy Consultants, they told us that our school would be evacuated to the Allentown-Emmaus area.

When we got the plan, surprise, surprise, they were only being evacuated to Lansdale.

Why the change? Okay.

Acersderal Reporters, Inc. We were also told that they were considering an automatic phone system, that when there was a problem out at Limerick, there would be a way to activate every phone in the County, and everyone would lift up the phone and hear the same message.

That was the last I ever heard of that system. I think that would be an excellent system. TDat is the last we ever heard of it. I don't know if Philadelphia Electric ruled it out for money purposes, or if it was impossible technically, whatever. But if it is possible technically, I wish that they would look into that.

Okay. The schools are being evacuated in different directions from where the people of the township are supposed to go. For example, our school, Perkiomen Valley School District is going to Norh Penn School District.

Our parochial school is going to Corpus Christi.

The people from our Township, the Lower Frederick, are supposed to go to the Souderton County Line Plaza, and they are not close and there are no easy routes from one to the other.

So, in other words, the people are supposed to evacuate to Souderton, our children to Lansdale, and there is not really an easy route to get down there without going back in the ten-mile radius.

The training of the teachers is inadequate. At our school there has been no training.

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At Perkiomen Valley there was a training given.

The teachers were so incredulous about the training which was really a public relations exercise -- like I said, I wish that you would ask to see that training and at the improbability of evacuating, that the Superintendent thought that they were being actually rude to the Energy Consultant people. And, I heard that there was a letter from the Superintendent to Energy Consultants apologizing for the behavior of the teachers.

At the Upper Perkiomen School District, the Superintendent stated in a newspaper article that he thought the training was totally inadequate and that it was only a public relations exercise. Okay.

And I had talked to that Supreintendent a couple of months before on business, and you know, at that point he didn't really know anything about the plan. He was open one way or the other. Okay.

The teachers have not been polled on whether they will stay with the children. I asked Dr. Wescott, Perkiomen Valley School District, whether they had questioned the teachers. And he said, no, he assumed that the teachers would stay. There was not a question made to the teachers.

Okay, that's another question.

How about if you ask for a poll of all the teachers in this area. Like my husband said, if only 40 percent of the

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teachers are going to stay, we ought to know that. Then we'd go from there. If 60 percent of them are going to stay, we'd go from there.

If we want to have to fill in the spots with parents, o kay, we fill in the spots.

But we don't assume that 100 percent are going to stay when 100 percent aren't going to stay. So, we should have, y ou know, a poll, to find out exactly how many teachers are there, and then we fill in the need.

See what this all boils down to, this is just a paper exercise, a paper drill, a paper procedure that in practicality and reality cannot work. All these things I am pointing out to you are showing to you why I really feel that realistically it can't work.

I am not concerned with the dangers of nuclear power per se. I am concerned with the fact that Limerick sits here, we sit here with over 200,000 people in a ten-mile radius not counting Philadelphia, with Pottstown a major center here, and even though -- like our Township is rural, but we have all of this population around us and that affects how we are going to get out of here.

One of the small day care centers, the Superintendent there called me one time and was talking to me about it. And she said, "Well, I'm really not concerned with the big picture on how everybody is getting out. I'm really just concerned with mm12 1

how my school is getting out."

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coming in off 422? That is one of the major evacuation routes. Are they coming in on 73? That's one of the major evacuation routes. Are they coming in 29? That's one of the major evacuation routes. How are your buses getting here, tell me that? There are virtually no major routes open for buses to come back in here.

for buses, don't you? Where are they coming from? Are they

Aed I pointed out to her, well, you have to wait

JUDGE HOYT: Do you think, ma'am you are pretty close to being finished?

MS. NOSTADT: Yes. I am going to point out two things.

JUDGE HOYT: I would like to get this other speaker in before we have to recess for lunch, because we are coming back at 1:30 and we are cutting it very short.

MS. NOSTADT: Okay, I will go quickly.

I served at the County in July, and I believe it was only a paper drill, and it failed miserably the way it was.

They had an automatic phone dialer that was not THey had to hand-dial all the calls to the Township. They were still contacting townships two and three hours after they began calling. I told you about the ten individuals of

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the school person less; I told you about the RACES operator in Upper Frederick.

Route alerting. One Township called in and said they had not received the route alerting maps. I don't know how many other townships had not received their maps.

There were Philadelphia Electric employees who were put on route alerting patrol so that could be done.

There are not enough resources in the County to meet the unmet needs. One Township called in and said, you know, like they were pretending they needed two ambulances. And, the person, the County person just went, looked at the other County person and went -- (Shrugging).

I couldn't believe it. But, at least they made an attempt. Okay.

Portions of the drill were supposed to be secret, such as the times and the various emergency stages, which evacuation center would be open and which mass care center would be open.

The other observer, Sandy Welsh and I asked Mr. Bigelow, the County Coordinator, if he knew which ones were to be evacuated, and he told us to our faces, no.

As a matter of fact there was a letter he had received about two days earlier which set the entire schedule for the entire day, told him which center was to be open, which mass care center. And, which I feel, because of the

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lack of secrecy in preparation of the drill, the validity of the drill was questionable.

An evacuation center was supposed to be activated. A few state evacuees with "evacuee" on their shirts went there. There were a couple of officials, but no procedures of actually setting up an evacuation center.

There was not enough dosimetry equipment. They didn't even have enough dosimetry equipment in the County to give it to the observers.

Some of the townships received fake dosimetry equipment, and most of them received none. Most of the townships do not have dosimetry equipment in their township buildings at this point.

Okay, I told you about the PECO employees. During a real emergency the PECO employees would be at the plant or would be called in to work there and would not be available for all of these local positions they are taking.

Okay. I'm sorry I took all of your time, but I had a lot of things I wanted to say.

(Board conferring.)

JUDGE HOYT: Ms. Nostadt, do you have that list of unmet needs?

MS. NOSTADT: I have the entire plan. TDis is from Draft 3.

JUDGE HOYT: Would you give that to the reporter

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24 s, Inc. 25 and I will include that in the record at this point.

MS. NOSTADT: This is Draft 3 Perkiomen Valley School District adopted.

JUDGE HOYT: I just want the list of unmet needs that you mentioned in your speech. Do you have it?

MS. NOSTADT: Basically, it is everything that is blank on the Perkiomen Valley School District Plan.

Is that what you are talking about?
This is the draft they adopted.

JUDGE HOYT: All right. We have that anyway. Very well. That will be noted in the record as being the list of unmet needs that the witness has spoken about.

We would like to take this last person.

Ms. Zipperlen, we do not wish in any way to usurp a moment of your time. But, while you are coming up let me tell you that we have got a 1:30 schedule to meet. And, Judge Cole gets very hungry.

(Laughter)

MS. ZIPPERLEN: I understand completely.

STATEMENT OF HELEN ZEPPERLEN

MS. ZEPPERLEN: I thank you for taking me because it is for my convenience, and I will try not to keep you from your lunch a moment longer than I can. I'm hungry myself.

Just to establish who I am, my name is Helen

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Zepperlen. I come from Camp Hill Village at Kimberton Hills, about five miles from here, which is a farm community for about 120 people, of whom about 28 are children and about 50 are mentally retarded adults.

We live in 12 family houses across these 350 acres which we own. We are not a licensed facility for the mentally retarded, nor are we a school. We engage in the production of high quality poison-free fruit, vegetables, dairy products and meat, which are consumed by our resident members, by the Camp Hills Special Schools at Glenmore, by many local distomers and a wide circle of health food stores in Allentown, West Chester, Philadelphia and further afield.

Our coffee shop and farm store are open to the public. The coffee shop holds 35 people, the farm store is about half the size of this room. They are usually jammed on the three days a week when they are open.

We have a hall community center which seats over 200 people and is often used for open cultural gatherings and events.

Our children mostly attend the nearby Kimberton Farm School, a private school from grades kindergarten through twelve.

About three or four of our young people are at various colleges and may be home for vacations.

We have no employees. This is important. We have

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no employees, except a part-time bookkeeper and one resident gardner.

We employ local contractors and maintenance as we need them. We have normally one or two non-resident local volunteers as well as these visitors and customers that I have spoken about.

Our animal population, which is also important, consists of a carefully bred herd of Guernsey cattle, the basis of our dairy industry. Total approximately 80 animals. About 100 sheep also very specifically bred for their wool and mutton. And all kinds of other livestock.

Our community is actively engaged in conservation technology. We are decidedly trying to do our bit to need less energy. We deeply appreciate the services of those such as PECO who come at 2 o'clock in the morning to mend our emergencies and all that.

If I was not coming between us all and our lunch,
I would enlarge on that because I really mean it, we appreciate
the services which are rendered.

Now I know that we are meant to be addressing exclusively the evacuation plan. I am aware of this.

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ers, Inc. 25 Since the population of our place consists entirely of volunteers, there is absolutely no guarantee that the handicapped members, if they agree to an evacuation, will be accompanied by sufficient or any other people. There is no way to estimate what actions will be taken by the families.

Remember I told you we live in twelve family houses. That is, there are at any moment twelve or more blood families living on our place with their own kids. There is no way to estimate what actions will be taken by them because this is their home. They each have an individual family right to decide what they are going to do. There is no way to predict what a father, who is also a farmer, co-responsible for our whole life's work in building up these animals, plants, soil and so on on which our livelihood depends and which is much more than our livelihood depends -- this father, who is a farmer, responsible for the land, a house father responsible for some handicapped people and also a father of a family, responsible for his wife and kids, what is he going to choose as his priority in the event of an emergency.

I have no means of telling you, however much I would like to.

There is in my community a universal unease at the vagueness of the estimated duration of an emergency.

In other words, we don't know how long we are going for and we don't know what we are going to find when we come back. This makes us very nervous. This applies to our house and home, how we responsibly expect to leave that and for how long, for our water supply and particularly to this which we consider a sacred trust which is our healthy uncontaminated soil and plants and animals on which many other people besides us are depending increasingly for their liverihood.

Those costs which can be estimated, as we have heard today, are tremendors. But the greatest costs are in the contamination of the natural resources which are our life's work. These costs we can't assess in figures.

Back to our evacuation. We have been informed that the Devereux Foundation in Downingtown will place some gymnasiums at our disposal at their Greenlock facility near Downingtown just outside the ten-mile limit.

These facilities include, I am told, some showers and telephones. The documentation of this fact, both to CampHill and to Devereux, is minimal. There is a letter written at my specific request telling us that we are going to Devereux and telling me the specific person to whom I am to contact about this accommodation.

A conversation with Mr. Harold Schwartz of

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rs, Inc. Devereux reveals what I have just told you and that no numbers of evacuees have been mentioned to Mr. Schwartz.

While Devereux will offer every reasonable help in an emergency, they can not provide staff to care for unaccompanied mentally retarded adults.

Since Camp Hill cannot guarantee to accompany them, this may be a problem. The duration of the visit clearly determine the nature of the further problem such as what we shall do all day, which matters when you are dealing with emotionally disturbed and mentally retarded people.

Focd supplies. We have heard them mentioned by other people. We don't know any of this. It is not written. It is not said.

There is no agreement about the cost of these arrangements, but I am told not to worry about this.

It is doubtful whether the magic circle of the ten-mile radius is really valid for the safety of our people relative to the effort involved. I mean, once you have got around to finding a host facility, getting us all on these busses and getting us out of there for awhile, shouldn't we go a bit further away maybe or somewhere just not down wind? I don't know.

Now, about our transportation. We do not have an individual evacuation plan. As very often happens in our

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life, we fit neatly between all the various schools. We are not a school, as I told you. We are not a licensed facility. We are part of our township. Okay. So we are included in the plan for West Vincent Township.

From West Vincent Township we are informed verbally that three school busses with drivers will attend at the appropriate time to transport our people to Devereux.

We have no knowledge of the origin of these busses. That is mainly because I didn't ask. I have just heard today that probably I should have been asking where these busses are going to come from. I am always treated with the greatest kindness and helpfulness by my town fathers, and when he said three busses are going to come, I said, okay, three busses are going to come. I am not a litigator. I don't ask these silly questions unless I come to a place like this, and I learn that I should be asking these questions.

It is my responsibility for goodness sake to find out where three busses are coming from? Okay.

So we have no guarantee that they will appear, but if they do, that is fine. We, with our inhouse vehicles, are not able to transport more than maybe 50 percent of our population. And all our drivers will be in the conflict which I just described above, having to find out about their priorities.

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rs, Inc. There is no knowing how long it will take
to implement an evacuation. Namely, to get the people
on the busses, since, according to the time of day,
people are distributed variously over about 400 acres, often
out of reach of telephones.

I must repeat that no staff type people can be guaranteed to board or accompany the busses because we are not paid staff but volunteers, each acting out of our individual conscience.

A good example of this, that I am not just pulling the wool over your eyes, we were concerned about sheltering, as the previous speaker was. And we asked questions about sheltering. And we were offered a training session on sheltering by energy consultants to be given to our staff. With our habitual courtesy, we accepted it. I arranged it. Energy consultants sent two or three people to come and nobody of my people attended. I can't make them. They weren't there. They were busy doing important things.

Our board of directors has been deeply concerned about all of this. Our board of directors consists not only of ourselve but of the board of directors of a nonprofit corporation coming from all over -- from Allentown to Baltimore, and so on. They are deeply concerned about our attitudes to this, that we should be

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cooperative with our emergency planners, which we are.

But they are also concerned for our safety. They ask

me at every board meeting, what are we supposed to do about

this? Because the whole thing is so vague, they haven't

passed a resolution to accept a plan because they

can't see it. I can't answer enough questions for them.

Now I am coming to my summary.

I would like you to know that we are not primarily acting out of fear. This is something which a hearing like this very frequently has pinned upon it, and some of the previous speakers -- I am sorry I missed many of the earlier ones -- that those of us who do not approve of what is going on are supposed to be acting out of rear and instilling fear in all the rest of the public.

I would like to say that we are not primarily acting our of fear but our of responsibility for safety and for the future of these natural resources which I have spoken about. I put to you, please, that these are two very different things, to act out of responsibility for safety or to act out of fear. Please don't let them get confused in all the politics which go around.

We are deeply concerned for the safety of our dependent population, our children, and our mentally retarded folks, for our unique resources of soil, plant and animal, both in the short term, which is what the

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evacuation plan addresses, and in the long term, which is addressed by the fact of a nuclear plant five miles from our door.

The evacuation plan per se is not yet adequate, and it is most inadequately documented. Most of the arrangements, such as they are, have been made on the phone or in meetings of which no minutes have been circulated. What letters are on file have either been written by me or at my specific insistence. However, no evacuation plan, in fact, can address itself to the safety and welfare of all us 200,000 people in the EPZ. There is only one safe and moral protection of our population which is to unfule this plant and dismantle it before it becomes dangerous. This is, in fact, our safety plan, not our emergency plan nore our evacuation plan.

This is our safety plan. This is what we urge. We urge it on you, please, not out of fear, but out of a sense of deep ongoing responsibility for our future.

There is one more small but very significant point. Then it is lunch time.

The efficiency with which we can discharge our area of public service, and we have several areas of public service, as I hope you have grasped, our efficiency in discharging these services has already been seen to be affected, already, by the frustration and anger of our

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members at what is seen by almost all of us, never mind our level of understanding, as an act of trespass.

It is seen as an act of trespass. We have been here twelve and a half years. In fact, today is our birthday.

I regret it is not twelve and a half; it is twelve years exactly, twelve years on November 15. And during all that time we have watched this subject of this morning's exercise growing, and our people have increasingly attempted to say, please, there are other alternatives. Let us work with you to find other alternatives. We do know something of what we are talking about. We haven't been listened to. We are angry. We are frustrated, and it is affecting our psychological community life because also in the name of public service, these excellent fellows, who we know as coming to mend the transformer at 2 o'clock in the morning on a snowy morning, that is public service, the provision of electric power, but they have in our eyes perpetrated an unwarranted generating station on our area which vastly increases the cost of what power we are receiving and brings side effects affecting the most intimate and subtle as well as the most outer and obvious areas of our life and work.

By the time it comes to this playing war games on the evacuation plan, the unreality and the injustice of the

situation has deep psychological effects on our social life. Please, I am not magnifying this. I am not trying to make politics or nonsense. I am telling you facts which I have observed over twelve years.

There is absolutely no justification for licensing, fueling, or operating a plant which affects us in this way. This must be the principle which underlies our response to the evacuation plan.

Just yesterday I walked with the fourth potential buyer to a plot of land which we are considering selling to a like-minded person or organization who wishes to exercise a similar responsibility for farming and such things. We have this plot of land which we would consider selling to such a person. Four of them have looked at it, and every one of them has said, what is that?

Oh, no. And they walked away.

You know what "that" is. I don't know whether that has anything to do with land values in the EPZ, and it has nothing to do with an evacuation plan except there are a lot of potential buyers and land in this area because they don't want to be evacuated in those busses which we don't have.

Thank you for your attention. Please have a good lunch.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you. We will recess until

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1:30. The first speaker for this afternoon will be
Mr. Franklin A. Smith, Jr., who had previously
registered with us. And if there are any other
persons who wish to make any statement this afternoon,
if you will see Mr. Crockett, he will give you a
card which will register you with us for this afternoon's
session.

The hearing is adjourned. Let the time be 1330.

(Whereupon, the hearing was recessed at 1:03 p.m., to reconvene at 1:30 p.m., this same day.)

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AFTERNOON SESSION

JUDGE HOYT: The hearing will come to order. Let the record reflect that all the parties to the hearing who were present when the hearing recessed for lunch are again present in the hearing room. However, Ms. Ferkin, representing the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania will be delayed a few moments.

This morning when we recessed we had one person from the morning session that we asked to speak for this afternoon and this is Franklin A. Smith, Jr. Mr. Smith, thank you for your patience in waiting until this afternoon to make your representations here today. If there are any persons in the hearing room while Mr. Smith is coming up who wish to register to speak, the Board's law clerk, Mr. Crockett is in the doorway right under the exit sign there and will be happy to register you for taking your place on the speaker's list. Mr. Smith, would you please make your representations to us, sir.

STATEMENT OF FRANKLIN A. SMITH, JR.

MR. SMITH: I would like to say that the announcement of the movement of this meeting down here was on the radio before I left the house this morning and that was WFLN at nine o'clock.

My name is Franklin Smith and I live in West Vincent Township and have lived there for over 35 years. I want to say that the township supervisors of West Vincent

ers, Inc. Township and the emergency management people have worked very hard to prepare a plan for evacuation. I, for one, am not going to evacuate. I am going to sit home and watch the traffic go by because I think the first fatal accident related to a nuclear accident will be on the highways. It will not be because of any nuclear explosion which can occur or any radiation of any sort.

While I mention radiation, I would like to go back some years to the time when the Chinese set off the first nuclear bomb or atom bomb that they had. Philadelphia Electric employees as it was reported in the newspaper were working outside the plant with detectors. They detected that and, of course, there was a lot of consternation because they thought it came out of the Peach Bottom plant which it didn't. It came from a Chinese bomb.

That incident rated about three or four inches on the front page of the newspaper. Nobody made any notice of it. The radiation that came across this country from that Chinese bomb was something like 1,000 or many more times that that came out of Three Mile Island.

Just west of my home is the terminus of the two pipe lines that were brought in very early in World War II, the big inch and the little inch. They are now owned by Atlantic Refining or ARCO. They are loaded with fuel, liquid fuel, gasoline or whatever else. I don't know. I believe they are

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very much larger than 10,000 barrel tanks. There are 15 of them. I don't know what kind of a doggie roast that would make but it would make a hot one.

Several years ago, I think three years ago, Japan -the only nation in the world that has ever had a nuclear explosion on purpose, intentionally -- bought more nuclear fuel than any other nation in the world. They are building more plans than any other nation in the world except the Russians.

Because they have the power generation, they are building steel mills, they are using direct reduction in their steel mills because they have the electric power. They had a 50-year contract with Eroughton Hill Proprietary of Australia which they terminated. They had a similar contract with Westmoreland Coal here in Pennsylvania which they terminated because of this direct reduction.

They are making out like bandits. They are supplying large quantities of steel in many forms to this country, automobiles, steel, rolled products, structurals and so on.

As a consequence many of our American natives are walking the highways hammering the bricks. The Soviet Union is producing or was producing one nuclear generator like this over here each week. They do not enclose them in pressure vessels. They are just wide open. If they kill somebody, what difference does it make, they have a lot more where they came from.

I am holdir; up my hand and as you can see I have five fingers. They are the five essentials of life, air, water, food, clothing and shelter. Without air, you can go three minutes. You have brain damage. The vice-president of my company lost his breath for three minutes and he died a year later. Without water, I think you can go two or three days, certainly not any longer than that. Food, the Irish have shown us you can go 30 days or longer than that.

So without electric power, I do not know how we are going to produc water. Water is very necessary. Three or four weeks ago I lost the check valve on my well, on my pump and we were out of water for two days. Of course, we had water. We had a supply in the water heater which was the same water that came out of the tank, out of the well and that is what we drank until I got somebody to come in and put in a new check valve.

But it wasn't fun. I am going to make a nasty remark now. Senator Kennedy claims that he is a liberal.

I will believe that he is a liberal when he pauperizes himself the way he wants to pauperize you and me. In a like fashion,

I believe that these people who are opposed to this plan here are sincere when they will go home and disconnect their homes from Philadelphia Electric Company lines as they want you and me to do when the power fails as it will.

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I guess that is about all I have to say. Thank you JUDGE HOYT: Thank you, Mr. Franklin. The next speaker that we have is Donna J. Beishl.

STATEMENT OF DONNA BEISHL

MS. BEISHL: I just want to preface my remarks by saying to you and I think it is important to hear this when you hear what I have to say, I am not an employee of PECO, I am not an employee of Bechtel. I am not employed with any company and never have been that is in any related to the nuclear power industry or any peripherally related industry and neither is anyone in my family.

My name is Donna Beishl and I have been involved in the health care industry as an assistant administor in two successive hospital facilities over the past 11 years. Among many other of my salaried duties has been extensive disaster and evacuation planning experience.

During the participation by my own institution in the Philadelphia and regional emergency multiple mass casualty planning, the disaster and evacuation plan designed by me for my institution was met with such approval by sister hospitals in our designated region that my plan was adopted either in whole or in part by the seven other institutions due to its comprehensive and superlative nature over their own original plans.

I feel, therefore, that I can speak with some

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Parteral Reporters Inc. expertise in the area of disaster/evacuation planning and would like to share certain of my observations with you.

On June 6, 1984 I a-tended the Own J. Roberts School Board meeting at which the task force on evacuation gave their status report to the superintendent of schools and the Board as to the extent of its success in addressing the stated requirements and needs for the plan.

I a-tended the meeting because of my background, thinking to offer my assistance and be able to serve the community. What I saw and heard that night astounded and dismayed me for the following reasons.

Throughout that evening it was stated repeatedly by some of the very individuals on the task force who claimed that they had worked so hard for this plan that they were diametrically opposed to a nuclear power plant in this area, did not believe the area could be effectively evacuated and wanted to show that despite their hard work, the requirements of the plan could not be implemented.

Their designated cheerleaders in the audience stated repeatedly that they wanted the plant closed. This thinly cloaked relationship between the personal antinuclear philosophy of those few and the responsibility with which they were charged accounts in my opinion for nothing less than a conflict of interest of the most pernicious nature.

Those whose ideological fury places them diametrically

opposed to the overall goal had positioned themselves on a key committee charged with the responsibility of coordinating a community response. The success of that response would subsequently become a pivotal element on which the decision will be made as to operate or not operate the power plant.

Amazing!

Further basis for my astonishment was in seeing certain teachers, people who work with our children day in and day out, responding on a purely emotional/hysterical level, stating that they would lewave school to see to their own children's welfare rather than work along with evacuation planning at their school, and in the next breath, they condemned the power plant with its alleged risks to the community.

One needs no previous experience in disaster and evacuation planning to know that a basic component of any plan is that when each person does their part, the security of the common good is promoted.

As long as all the bus drivers know that the overall plan is being adequately managed by other volunteers, a bus driver in one end of the township is secure in the knowledge that the roads are made accessible for his wife's evacuation in the other end of the township.

When all the emergency volunteers know that the children are being accompanied appropriately by designated

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adults, an emergency worker in one part of the county can rest secure in the knowledge that her child is being adequately comforted by a designated adult riding a bus with the children in the other part of the county.

Then the administrators and the politicians, there were some who were so obviously intimidated by this very vocal minority that they were embarrassingly incapable of hiding that their actions were motivated purely by self interest in their political future mistakenly believing this group to be speaking authoritatively for their constituancy at large.

It was blatently clear that some administrators and politicians had succumbed without struggle to being used and manipulated by the vociferous anti-nuclear contingent.

It tragically occurred to me that offering my help in disaster planning to that group would be like my joining the Ku Klux Klan to work towards implementation of civil rights legislation.

However, I have continued to watch, listen and follow up on the ensuing activities. I salute the other teachers, school district employees, community emergency management coordinators and local fire companies who have so diligently and effectively done their jobs despite animosity, adversity and even vandalism from their neighbors who they are ironically working to protect.

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plan work.

As to the nit-picking criticisms of so-called ecologyminded organizations, the recent history of the perseverence
and dedication to duty of those emergency coordinators and
fire department staff and volunteers even after attempts by
anti-nuclear activists to create unrealistic fears in their
minds leaves me feeling confident in the ingenuity, resource-

fulness and flexibility of the people striving to make this

Under the pretense of informing the public, the

LEA type activists have incited the public to hysteria and how

fear of their neighbors. During the October 22nd date between

the LEA president and a PE staffer, Ms. Zitzer stated and I

quote, "The drill for the plan is not being used for practice,

not being used for evaluation of the plans, .-. but as a

licensing requirement just so everything can look as though

it's fine."

Well I was part of that public that LEA claims to want to inform and protect. I was so inspired by their collective efforts at informing and protecting me that I recently became a part of a new community organization that totally rejects their claims and position.

It is my contention that their philosophic crusade has purposefully thwarted overall emergency planning success, and in so doing deprived others of the chance for safety because of their stated position documented as early as the

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year 1970 in opposition to nuclear power.

Their resultant feelings towards the plan embody logic on the same base level as that of throwing the baby away with the bath water. Furthermore, the credibility of an organization claiming community concern is a venomous perversion, when they would allow their supporters to personally endanger other people and their children by driving helter skelter to get their own children first, regardless of the risks they will cause in impeding designated escape routes. But unlike elected or appointed officials, there is no way for the public to hold this type of group accountable for their actions.

Like spoiled, ill-tempered children who unfortunately have grown into dangerous adults, if you don't play the game their way, they want to ruin the game. Well, disaster evacuation planning is no game. When people refuse to participate and encourage others to yell "Every man for himself," they endanger all the rest of us.

It is a tragedy that the ele-ted and appointed officials were not able to keep this plan from becoming a political battleground, but they were working against very tough odds. But, it is a tribute to the fortitude and effectiveness of the emergency coordinators and fire department staff and volunteers that if ever needed this plan and the people coordinating it can and will do the job in my opinion.

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Thank you for listening.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you, Ms. Beishl. Ms. Heidi Hoover.

STATEMENT OF HEIDI HOOVER

MS. HOOVER: To start of with this need for Limerick that everyone is so -- we have a divided faction here, I am slightly amused since Mr. Michael Johnson of the PUC said that the electricity generated by Limerick will go on the grid. It will be brokered out. We don't need it. We are over capacity now in this area. We do not need this electricity.

I like electricy as much as anybody does but when my mortgage is coming close to the same as my electrical bill every month for a family of three, I get just a little hostile.

Real estate is the single largest investment people ever make. Yet in spite of this innumerable homes, farms and businesses are going to be at the nuclear whim of some very fallible human beings and the reason I saw this is, I don't expect people to be perfect. Only God is perfect and God is not running the plant as we have seen at Salem and as we have seen at TMI. Okay.

Now in one breach or lapse of procedure, we could all be irradiated or our collective properties for an unbelievable span of time. This is an uninsurable scenario.

PECO is not going to buy that property. They are not going to relocate us. They don't have that kind of finding.

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Subsequently, this investment that people have made, these banks say that they are still liable for their mortgage. You could be evacuated and never be able to go back into the area let's just say in light of a really negative nuclear occurrence, okey, and you would have to pay your mortgage, your existing mortgage, and then try and get financing to

I think it is unforgivable to have that kind of a cloud hanging over your head.

buy another home elsewhere.

Evacuation. If the specture of what is so euphemistically called evacuation were not so horrifying, it would be almost laughable. People that think that people are organized and controlled in the light of self-preservation are so sadly misinformed, I can't believe it. We have seen time and time again that there are some people who are able to rise to the occasion but basically when it comes to a big threat the people want to collect their families and they want to leave. They don't really care about anything else no matter how much they have promised, "Oh, I will stand by my duty."

We will get a Kamikaze squad, Kamikaze one, two and three, right? I will stay the longest so I can get the most irradiated because I think I should help evacuate.

There is no predictable barometer in a crisis situation. I have had directors of nursery schools and day care centers tell me that their teachers have flatly stated

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they intend on evacuating their own families and do not intend to volunteer to stay and evacuate their little charges.

As one director in particular stated, though they might volunteer now, they being the teachers, if push comes to shove it is every man for himself or herself or every woman. Okay.

I ask you whether we should be subjected to this monstrous situation. Our very existence hangs in the balance. Of course, money is always the answer.

A poll was conducted in the City of Philadelphia by Temple University and it stated that 50 percent of the population did not want Limerick "1" or "2" but, you know, that is for the record.

Now, evacuation continued. if there were an evacuation and I might even say, "Well, it is here now, I don't like it, I don't care for it, there are other alternatives to energy that if they had been subsidized the way nuclear energy had been subsidized, we wouldn't be having this problem now, but then we know the story there, too."

There are a total of 167 high-tech firms who employ 44,000 of the 210,000 people working in the route 202 corridor between West Chester and Willow Grove. Traffic congestion is a severe problem for these companies with King of Prussia being especially overburdened.

Seven of the firms interviewed plan to relocate

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because of the paralyzing congestion. The Delaware Valley Planning Commission identified 16 car clogged areas in Montgomery and Chester Counties. This is just one isolated area which would cause a severe problem when you are talking about evacuation. I don't have to tell anybody if you are trying to go anyplace at five o'clock, you can forget it. It takes you an hour and a half to do a 20-minute ride.

Of course, we have the nuclear waste problem but I am addressing the evacuation today so I am going to limit myself in two or three areas here. I would like to state that Dr. Irving Bross of the Roswell Park Memorial Cancer Institute stated, "I know that no child should live within 15 miles of a nuclear plant because over the years the amount of radiation from the plant will mean that they are 700 to 900 percent more likely to come down with leukemia or cancer."

This has been verified by eminent scientist Dr. John Gofman before the New York City Council in 1970. The cancer rate was 600 percent higher five years after the nuclear power plant began to operate at Indian Point in New York State.

A study of three GE military reactors near the capital district of New York State found that the cancer rate was up 1500 percent. All one has to do is to read the testimony from the transcripts at TMI, read them and weep, that is.

How can one opt for business as usual when the frightful spectre of a Grim Reaper looms overhead? Again, I am talking about fallibility. I don't care how perfectly that plant was designed, quality control -- we already know that there are things that are not up to snuff. Okay.

With people being people, they are going to make mistakes. They are going to get up and have a bad day and if somebody pushes the wrong button, well, gee, that's too bad.

The major fact that no one seems to be addressing is that with a nuclear accident, that's it. There is no second chance. There is no reprieve. There is no, "I don't know how it happened." It is not business as usual if you have a major occurrence. I am not talking about small one.

To quote Dr. John Gofman and I know this is going to get a lot of people very upset and I apologize to you, "Operating nuclear power plants is mass, random, premeditated murder." That is a pretty heavy statement.

The fact of the matter is and I will ask somebody right here and I would like them to answer me, why was it located in such an extremely populated area, more so than any other plant in the country that has been built. I mean, if you are going to put one, why put it where it is so densely populated. I would like to know who was responsible for locating this plant here.

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The design, the GE electric boiling water reactor which Limerick utilizes is described as one of the poorest designs with the fewest safety features. Okay, if you are going to put one here again, why not put the best one available with the best safety features and put it in the least populated area if you are going to do that.

These reactors are not permitted in the British

Isles and our U. S. Navy will not use these reactors but we have them. Right? In ordinary operation they emit 24 hours a day, three-quarters of a curie per second of radioactive gases and nobody knows where that goes but we will find out sooner or later, I am sure.

Why did the people involved at the inception of Limerick opt for this obsolete and dangerous design? There are too many unresolved problems to permit this to go on line.

Of course, we have an unreliable record here.

Everybody is saying how it is reliable, it is clean, okay.

Last year there were more than 5,000 mishaps at nuclear power plants. Workers were exposed to record radiation levels and plants operated only 56 percent of the time. Now if they are so bloody great, how come they are only operating 56 percent of the time?

In a 79-page report compiled from the NRC records it was discovered that plant performance was riddled with personnel goofs and that utility mismanagement resulted in a

record level of fines.

More workers than ever before, 85,646, were exposed to record high levels of radiation. Lucky guys! Radiation exposure jumped eight percent over 1982. Security threats also continue to plague nuclear facilities. That is another thing. We have a lot of maladjusted people out there that can help things along, too.

The worst of the 247 particularly significant mishaps, the report noted, occurred at the Salem "l" reactor of which PECO owns 42.5 percent. An accident was narrowly averted when the facility suffered the first complete breakdown of the automatic shut down system in an American nuclear facility.

The owners were hit with a record fine, blah, blah, blah. Well, that's fine.

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ederal Reporters, Inc. As a final consolation for the damages done -- I mean, fining them, great. They have already -- you know, the damage is done and the fining is not going to change anything.

Also, more deeply frightening, the report said that the NRC has started -- which I found very, very upsetting, because I felt we are under your aegis and you are going to protect us and I was relying on that -- that the NRC has started a concerted drive to withhold safety information from public disclosure. This is the very same NRC under whose aegis we find ourselves. However, I'm not really surprised, because in light of Energy Secretary Hodell's directive dated May 8th, the Department of Energy would urge the NrC to adopt rules making it harder for opponents to delay licensing of nuclear power plants with last-minute allegations of safety, environmental and quality problems.

And they should enter the federal and state regulatory cases to ensure the national interest is adequately considered and also encourage the State Public Utility Commission, tell that company to charge customers for the cost of unfinished nuclear plants still under construction.

For some reason, I can't imagine why, this sounds like coercion.

It would seem to me the Department of Energy, the utilities and the NRC are making for some very strange bedfellows.

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Now I was given a list, this list is updated, it is from this morning, of veterinary hospitals and stables, that will be called upon in the event of a nuclear occurrence, to have animals evacuated to them.

I don't know who compiled the list. None of these places have been contacted, not a one. The people didn't know who I was talking about. Some of them are simply veterinary clinics and have very limited facilities for boarding. So, we can forget that.

The others said during peak time when they are -like during the summer or the holiday season, they have no room whatsoever.

I got a statement from Four Maples Farm and she said she has not been contacted and her stalls are full. She said maybe she could take ten or fifteen horses. She said, now that is if anything survives.

And of course, if you are familiar with horses, they have negative coggins once a year because it is a very contagious disease and when you go to horse shows and you go from one barn to another, you have to have proof of a negative coggins.

JUDGE HOYT: What is that?

MS. HOOVER: That is a test for equine encephalitis. And, it is a very destructive disease in the horse community. Aed the thing is if you go to horse shows, some of them

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require it yearly, and some horse shows actually require it every six months.

But, as far as I, personally, our farm happens to be up the road from me, and he has a brood mare farm, he has 200 mares and yearlings.

Now he is on this list. He didn't know anything about it. And needless to say I think he would be hardpressed to bring a whole lot of horses in another field and expose his prize herd, I might add, to whatever these animals might have. I mean, he has no proof that they have up to date negative coggins. And in a crisis situation, what are you going to say, would you please whip out your negative coggins for me.

In any event -- the other thing I noticed on this list, we have Dr. Bronstein in Ardmore listed and Ivan's Veterinary Hospital. That would make me think we have two places to take animals. This is incorrect.

Unfortunately, whoever made up the list, I happened to have gone to Dr. Bronstein, and Ivan's and Bronstein are one and the same place.

Our farm is the same way. We have got Raymond

Gambone listed, and we have our farm. So you say, ah, they
have two places to take horses. Wrong. TTey are one and
the same place.

Now, I'm getting a more comprehensive list of

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Pederal Reporters, Inc. responses. As I said, I just recently got this and subsequently I was unable to contact all of them.

But from the information I have gleaned so far, it would seem that no one has been contacted and they are incredulous, they are sitting there with their mouths open saying, "What do you mean you are going to evacuate horses or dogs to me?"

As a matter of fact, a woman from Lower Providence called Dr. Bronstein and his clinic is right in Ardmore on Haverford Avenue, which is very, very populated. I mean, it is residential, and she wants to know about bringing her horse there, which I thought was cute.

In any event, I talked to Anita Shafer who is

President of the Dog Federation, because I wanted to get some

comment because the animals have really not been thought of

here -- farm animals a little bit, but pets have been just

disregarded.

As animals are a large part of the quality of life we all live, hence their safety is a valid concern that we should all he addressing and cannot be ignored.

Now, Tina Selwitz, from whom I also obtained a statement, is Director of Humane Education at the Morris

Animal Refuge, and she has stated -- I told her about this and she was appalled, she was beside herself. From my experience in dealing with families and the general public, the vast

ral Reporters, Inc. majority of pet owners consider pets family members. Being saparated from or having pets destroyed is detrimental both emotionally and psychologically.

Now she has spoken to pet owners and said to me in the event of a radiological occurrence, if you were forced to go to mass care she ter and part with your pets because they are not permitted to take the pets into mass care shelters, what would you do in the event the boarding kennels are full, she had people saying that they would die with their animals.

Now, I find this scenario really upsetting, and I know that they were not bluffing. A lot of these people mean that. Because, as much as people that are not particularly animal oriented do not understand us animal activist people, there are a lot of us out there that really do love our animals and do consider them as a part of the family. And, to be forcibly separated or have them destroyed, or have to evacuate -- I had a really ideous scenario in mind:

which is charming, and you try to come out -- your dogs are in the house. But, you are not allowed back in the EPZ, so you can technically not get your dogs out to take them to these kennels which will not have enough room anyhow. So, subsequently you are going to -- I happen to have a pony and a dog. So first I have to -- I'm not allowed back in the

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deral Reporters, Inc. 25 EPZ to get my pony, so I'll scratch that -- I'm not allowed back in because everybody is traveling out, to get my dog.

So, if we are prevented from going back for any given period of time, so be it, there goes the animals, okay. And this is really frightening. I just can't accept the fact that we are going to sit and, you know, accept having this onus over our heads.

Now you know, according to the NRC directives or --I don't know what you would call them -- this is from your records. We are talking about 25 -- early death threshold. So I would like to know where the ten miles came from, in any event. I find it a little distressing to say the least in light of the fact that we know that radionuclides don't say I have now flown through the atmosphere for ten miles and I can't go any farther, because if I do I'm going to be out of the EPZ and then the people won't be able to evacuate to that area.

Now in relation to the farmers, I was reading the directive that stated that they were to evacuate themselves if they could and they were also to -- their animals were to be put in a barn. Because not having learned ventilation can be just as detrimental as being irradiated.

Now I find that statement very, very difficult to digest. They are telling you that the food in the barn -just for an example, the air in a house exchanges every

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two hours. Now we all know how drafty barns are. So, as far as being safe in a barn, I give you five minutes with the drafty barns that people have.

The farmers are told that before, before anything happens, which is obviously the intelligent way to do it, they should make their barns more safe and find areas to place their animals.

Well, I would like to know who is going to absorb
the expense for these farmers. By the way, I am not a farmer.
In any event, in addition tothat at one moment they are
saying that poor ventilation and lack of water is just as
detrimental as radiation. And the next statement they are
saying, be sure the barn -- the very mext paragraph -- is
shored up so that the contamination doesn't come in from the
outside.

Now which is it, ventilation or insulation? What are we doing here?

In either case, if the food is uncontaminated while it is in the barn, even a couple of hours of radioactive air, it will then be contaminated. And they say, don't let your animals eat contaminated food because of the fact that they will then have internal radiation.

Well, this is wonderful. I mean, you are damned if you do in this particular case, and you are also damned if you don't.

Now my contention is that you can't evacuate -there is no feasible way to do this evacuation, because the
day care centers, you can't get all the children out, you
can't get all the animals out. Chester County said something
there are about four and a half animals to every person and
they are talking about evacuating entire dairy herds.

I would like to know who in this room can tell me how you evacuate all those dairy herds in Chester County.

That is what I would like to know.

In any event, I don't understand how an unpredictable source of energy like this that has the viability of maybe 20 years, 30 if you are lucky -- that is not counting down time of course, you has a liability that goes back so far, that it is unbelievable. So that subsequently the scenario -- I mean, I have talked to children and they are frightened. They are very frightened. And I think this is a horrible way for children to have to grow up in the shadow of something which is like a monster in the night to them at this point.

But the whole point being, you can't subject a populace to this. It is one thing when you are going to be assaulted by an outside power, you know nuked by a Third World or Russia or what have you. But, to pay for the possibility at any time of being nuked, I find that absolutely horrifying. I mean, in your own country. WCere is our right of life, liberty, pursuit of happiness protected.

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I mean, if you want to talk about human rights, where are our rights to live in a reasonable facsimile -- I mean we all have problems in our lives, I understand that.

But, I mean, where are they. We have this scenario.

I'm afraid to go away. I love my dogs very much. And I

can tell you honestly that if push comes to shove, I will take

my dogs and I will leave, and no one, no one will stop me.

I am not being emotional. This is the way people get when their back is against the wall and there is no light at the end of the tunnel. Thank you.

(Witness 'crying.)

(Applause.)

JUDGE HOYT: Please, let's not make any demonstration.

Again, Mr. Crockett is at the end of the room to take the reservations.

Ms. Lu Gaut.

STATEMENT OF LU GAUT

MS. GAUT: I am not an expert at anything, almost nothing. I am an expert grandmother, and damn it, I am here to say again what I said to this Board before, and Mr. Cole, you have heard it, but you are going to hear it again.

I want you to listen to these things, and listen carefully.

Mark Augustine, Scott Augustine and Stephen

Augustine, these are three young men who have nobody to speak

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for them but their grandmother. And I am telling you now like I told you before, and I will continue to tell you, if ever one of my grandchildren contracts cancer, or fathers a deformed child, I am holding you all personally responsible and you will hear from me. I will remember, and you remember that on this date in November in 1984, you can't say you didn't know, because somebody's grandmother told you so.

This plant puts my grandchildren at unacceptable risk and I don't care about evacuation plans. Wlat I care about is the day to day operation of this plant.

My grandchildren live three and a half miles from PECO.

The other thing I have to say to you today is that I am incensed. I am so angry that I can hardly speak to find myself talking to a panel that is supposed to be unbiased with Reddy Kilowatt facing me. This puts a lie to the fact that the NRC is doing anything to protect the public.

What the NRC is doing and has done has been an arm of the utilities, and I don't believe that you care one hoot in hell about evacuation plans. All you care about is getting this plant licensed.

JUDGE HOYT: Ms. Gaut, before you leave I would like to respond. I don't ordinarily do this, but I want you to understand that this was provided -- the little figure that you have described as being a symbol, is what I understand

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to be a figure in the electrical industry and is called

Reddy Kilowatt. It is, as far as I am concerned, an innocuous

figure and has no significance --

MS. GAUT: Come on, the building we are in has significance.

JUDGE HOYT: -- to this panel.

Ms. Gaut, I wish you to understand, also, we have nothing else to put on the table. And, because we don't w ant to have feet and legs protruding below the table, we thought that this was the only thing available here on the premises.

The second thing I wanted to talk--to advise you about is, this panel is sworn members of the NRC Staff. We are totally unbiased. We have no connection with any utility nor may we own any share of stock in any utility or any supplier of goods to the nuclear industry. That on record for each of us are statements to that effect.

Every share of stock, if we own any, has to be listed. Every single item of my property and that of my husband, has to be listed.

Now, I pay the price for my position with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. I do so willingly, and I have nothing to hide.

But, when a member of the public comes to me and accuses me as you have just done of biased conduct, I am no

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longer as a public servant willing to become your public doormat.

Thank you, ma'am.

The next speaker that we have on the list is Patricia Alker.

STATEMENT OF PATRICIA ALKER

MS. ALKER: Well, I thought I was going to be at the Holiday Inn.

JUDGE HOYT: Well, here we are.

MS. ALKER: I wanted some Dutch courage, and I see I am not going to get it.

I'm on the Advisory Board for Lower Providence Evacuation Plans. We have a draft here, Draft 6. And I resigned because it is paper. There is nothing that is specific.

Our Fire Chief who sat in on one meeting works in King of Prussia, he is a volunteer. And, if you have ever tried to get over the Betzwood Bridge in the Township during commuting time, you will know it takes you almost an hour to two hours in every direction.

So, I understand if he gets the word everybody else will get the word, and I don't think it will ever reach Lower Providence in the case of an alert.

Now, our group also decided that we would want the sirens during the second stage, the alert stage, instead

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of emergency. Because these plans were written by PE consultants, they are paid by PE, they assume that the private -the person who is a resident in the plume area will evacuate themself, or pack a picnic basket and as one member of our Board said, who is a member of the Evacuation Advisory Committee, it will be like going to grandmother's.

Just like TMI, we'll say it is a good time to visit grandmother, so we will go over the river and through the woods. And, this is their attitude toward evacuation plans in our area. That we will have three or four days, I guess, to plan to go to grandmother's.

One of the reasons why I resigned is because the very word "accident" means that an emissions has been created from this plant that was uncontrolled. If it were controlled it wouldn't be an accident.

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Accepteral Reporters, Inc. As at TMI, the people there were exposed to the worse radiation before they knew there was an accident.

Any other incident at the plant could be handled on site. So I feel there will be no time for our fire chief to reach his destination. I feel there will be no time for him, and he also admitted that he has very youg men who are all volunteers, and he would not be able to get enough people to go into an area that was unknown.

If you have a flood, they can see the waters.

If you have a fire, they can see the smoke. He feels

very reasonably sure that he will not be able to get the

volunteers he needs to alert our area.

We are not even coordinated with the schools. We aren't coordinated with Eagleville. We are alone in this planning.

We are having a prison built right in the middle of our township. There has been no provision made about that prison. So we will have Eagleville and the prison to contend with. I think sheltering will be the only answer. I think if we are counted, we will have to be told that the areas surrounding a nuclear plant, the residents and the ten mile area, ten mile zone, it is expediency. We are expendable. And I think more knowledge should be given to what to do about sheltering.

No one has been told what is supposed to be the

Sederal Reporters, Inc. element that erases all radiation. Our ponds, our streams, even our wells may be contaminated. We cannot use that to help us, and I have three horses.

At the time of the Chinese bomb, that was about five years ago, we had a foal who was pasturing. Now, we were told -- and we knew enough to bring her in. We weren't told about that. It circled the globe three times. And yet I have a member of the PE, an employee who is on our board, that said that we had nothing to worry about because he didnot think that grass and mother's milk would be affected by this; it was deluded when it came down, these particles and the iodine were deluded.

In fact, I knew that they are concentrated.

I feel that some member who has gone through the radiological training of PE that does not know that pastures become contaminated and when a cow eats that grass and we drink the milk it is contaminated -- Rachel Carson knew that -- I feel that if he had gone through this training seminar, I am told that I should do this, go to a training seminar to protect livestock, that I don't think they can tell me very much.

I don't think they are experts. I think every one of us who live in this area have to be made experts through our own knowledge and through unbiased information.

One other thing, since I am up here, PF has --

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they want PE to print our evacuation plans. We are planning to give each resident a brochure. I really think that it is unnecessary. I think, to be candid and to be truthful, it is the most necessary thing to tell our residents about the evacuation, what harmful effects it can cause, genetic and that sort of thing, and the danger to our livestock and our fowl and our feed and our area. I think it is better it would be in pulp paper than it would be very slick and not tell the truth.

I resigned and I am not sorry I did resign. I am sorry I can't stay on with it. It is awfully hard to be a hypocrite.

Thank you.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you.

Georgia Dukes?

STATEMENT OF GEORGIA DUKES

MS. DUKES: Thank you for letting me be I want to thank PECO for being the host. I don't know what to say because I just read the paper yesterday, and apparently the American Nuclear Society has come up with the fact that we don't have to evacuate. I would like to know how the members of the panel feel about that. That it is exaggerated?

JUDGE COLE: I haven't read the study yet. That was a report by ADS to the Commission. I know of it, but

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> MS. DUKES: I see. That evacuation is unnecessary. I know there is an \$85,000 study to find out why we fear nuclear energy.

> Do you mind if I just get off evacuation for a minute?

And then there is also an article in here about atomic priesthood, that will try to come up with hieroglyphics for 300 generations so that they will not be contaminated by these nuclear dumps. When we dedicate Limerick, it will be for energy for 20 years, and it will be for -- it will be a radiation dump for 2100 years.

Beautiful. Beautiful. I am just going to say that I am just here to let you know that you can't fool all of the people all of the time.

(Applause.)

JUDGE HOYT: Again, we want you, please, do not make any demonstrations either for or against.

(Pause.)

Is anyone present in the hearing room who had wished to make a statement who has not registered with Mr. Crockett?

(No response.)

If there is anyone that wishes to make a statement at this time, we will be happy to take their

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Yes?

VOICE: I would like to ask some questions.

JUDGE HOYT: We are not going to enter into a diologue with you, but we will permit you to put your questions on the record, if you wish, in the form of a statement.

Would you like to do that?

VOICE: No. Thank you.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you.

Yes, sir. If you will just come to the podium, give us your full name.

> MR. MENDELSON: I am Emanual Mendelson. STATEMENT OF EMANUAL MENDELSON

MR. MENDELSON: I am from Harleysville. I would like to point out just one thing. The members of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission have a great stake in this, whether with PECO or anybody else. Their jobs depend upon making this as big an operation as possible. It is a Parkinson's law business, and that is all I have to say.

JUDGE HOYT: Anyone else? "as the gentlemen back there wanting to make a statement?

STATEMENT OF BETTY GUARDIANI

MS. GUARDIANI: Over twelve years ago, on

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rs, Inc. April 24, 1972, I read a statement at the Atomic

Energy Commission hearings held at the Holiday Inn in

Pottstown. I lived less than a mile from the plant at

that time. Today I came from Philadelphia where I now

live to again voice my concerns. I thought they were

going to, again, be held at Holiday Inn. Instead they

are being held at the plant site, at the Limerick

misinformation center. And I did say "misinformation"

because that is what this place is, with the rate payers

paying for the propaganda that started n my years ago with

a trailer at a shopping center.

I understand that the change was caused by a lack of a hotel room. I wonder what kind of a hotel room awaits for those who are responsible for this plant when their earthly journey is over.

There should be another hearing held by the NRC at a neutral site. In that way, the people will be convinced that the NRC is really interested in the well-being of the community. If an accident should ever happen at this plant, will PE be able to call the shots and write the script that they will be able to control the advance so that they will happen when the majority of people are at home from work and the school is not in session? They did that for the July drill.

Is there any assurance that the bus and the bus

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drivers that will be here for the high school students of Pottstown, the present plan calls for 20 busses and drivers to be provided for by the Wissahickon school district in lower Montgomery County.

Do you really believe that housewives will leave their children, jump in their busses and drive to Pottstown, pick up the students and then drive them to Amaeus? What assurance is there that the busses will be able to get through to Pottstown and then Amaeus even if the drivers were willing?

Who is there to guarantee that there will be no traffic jams or any accident tie-ups. My sympathy is with those who cannot move from the area. I was luck that I could. But an accident or even the routine operation of this plant still affects my water supply.

All the families to the west of Broad Street in Philadelphia will have their water supply run by this plant.

About five years ago Harold Denton of the NRC stated at the congressional hearings held in Bucks County Community College that this plant would never be allowed to be build by today's standards. Why must we be subjected to the errors of the engineers of yesterday when they were well paid?

He also stated that anyone within one and seventh tenth mile would have to be ready to evacuate and

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move within 15 minutes. At that point, at the

Peter Kostmeyer hearings at Bucks County Community

College, I realized that I was going to leave this area.

What has PE done? What kind of a monster have they created?

When my country was in danger during World War

2, I went into the service as soon as I was able to because
I was young when the world started, but I was there.

Now my country is in danger from within. Stop this
plant now and give us the peace of mind that we deserve
and many of us fought for and many of my schoolmates died
for.

(Applause.)

JUDGE HOYT: Mr. F. Lane Massey.

STATEMENT OF F. LANE MASSEY

MR. MASSEY: Thank you very much for giving
me this forum to give our feelings. I don't really care
where it is. It is okay. It is a little strange that it
ishere, but it is okay. I have lived in Chester County and
Montgomery County for 34 years now. It is one of the
most beautiful parts of the country you can possibly go to.
It has everything -- beauti? . streams, mountains,
et cetera.

I don't want to take much time. Everybody has basically said every thought, emotion that has gone through

my mind as well. I do have one thing that I would like to say.

I participated in the drill in July.

JUDGE HOYT: What was your capacity?

MR. MASSEY: I was an observer. I was basically observing on my own. I was not associated with any group. I went to a school in Southern Chester County called the (inaudible) school, I believe. It was to be a reception center for early treatment.

If there had been an accident, they would bring the people here, check them out for contamination, perhaps cleanse them, keep them there or move them for further treatment, feed them, et cetera.

There were some good people there. There was a part-time policeman whose name was Dave McIntire. He had sort of been volunteered for his capacity as being the manger of this reception center. He was prepared. He had all the necessary radiological detection equipment and so forth. He did his job well. But there was one small problem. Nobody ever showed up to open the school. We couldn't get in. We did it all in the parking lot.

Everybody was frustrated by this. Obviously there were phone calls made, et cetera. The person,

I believe it was a school board president or something,
never showed up with the key.

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Now, of course, this was a drill. Big deal.

Everybody showed up. On paper it probably looked great.

But we didn't have access. If it had been raining, we would have all gotten wet.

This is an example, when they had plenty of time to plan it. And in a real accident, obviously there would be no such time to do such planning. And this was just one thing that happened. I am sure there were many other similar incidents.

I am an engineer myself. I have found that in my work -- maybe it's me -- I've found that Murphy's Law almost always prevails. If something is going to go wrong, it will. And it will go wrong at the worst time and with the most catastrophic results.

I could go on forever, but just about everybody else has said everything that I would like to say. But I would like to keep living here, and I would like to keep it as pristine as it is now. It is one of the few remaining uncontaminated areas, visually anyway.

That's about it. Thank you very much for listening.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you, sir.

Virginia Burroughs?

That is spelled B-u-r-r-o-u-g-h-s.

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STATEMENT OF VIRGINIA BURROUGHS

MS. BURROUGHS: Thank you for letting me come up and speak. I come from the northeast corner of Buck's County and that is quite a distance away but that is how concerned I am and I feel as the gentlemen before me has just said, most everyone has said everything that I am very concerned about, also. So I won't even begin there. But I feel there is an awful lot of confusion here. I know you can't answer a question but I do wonder, I just came in from out of town last night expecting to come to this today and I am glad I made the call this morning to find out that it was moved and I do wonder why it was moved at such a short notice just as of last evening. I find that there is a lot of confusion because of this.

What I am here to say now is I would like to request a new hearing and I would like to go down on the record.

JUDGE HOYT: Everything you say, there is a record being made of it. Did you know that there are vans at the Holiday Inn to transport persons down here?

MS. BURROUGHS: No, I didn't know that.

JUDGE HOYT: Yes. That was arranged before and we asked that it be put on the radio and I guess word hasn't gotten out completely but those buses were provided and they will transport persons from the Holiday Inn down to this location and return them to the Holiday Inn if they were to

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24 ederal Reporters, Inc. leave their cars or whatever means of transportation they may use to get to the Holiday Inn.

We will be able to provide that same service tomorrow as I understand it and tonight.

SPEAKER FROM THE FLOOR: What is the cost, are we paying for it?

JUDGE HOYT: No, ma'am. You are not paying for it.

SPEAKER FROM THE FLOOR: Our taxes are paying for it, so we are paying for it.

JUDGE HOYT: That answers that concern that you have. I think this morning there was a brief opening statement as to why we were not at the Holiday Inn location.

MS. BURROUGHS: Could that be repeated?

JUDGE HOYT: No, ma'am. I won't repeat it. It is in the record. I will not repeat it. Would you like to make some more statements?

MS. BURROUGHS: Yes. I was curious because if this is a series of hearings, I know they are not all the same and there are different speakers continuously and everything is changing, but I think that is something and I wonder why you can't tell us. It is something that I think we should like to know.

JUDGE HOYT: When the reporters get to that part of it, I will ask that you get a copy of it. I get a daily transcript of this and in the morning, I will have that

Federal Reporters, Inc. transcript but I am not going to read a different statement because if I got so much as a comma out of line, there would be someone that would jump on that and I am very cautious of that and I will give it to you exactly as it appears in the record when the record is made available to me.

MS. BURROUGHS: I really feel that if it is a simple thing, I wonder why just as a matter of courtesy that everyone is told in each session, the afternoon, the evening and tomorrow's.

JUDGE HOYT: We will not get the transcript until tomorrow morning, ma'am.

MS. BURROUCHS: I would just like to comment that
my impression in walking in here was that it is very stifling
in here and there is no fresh air, no air ventillation. In
a group this size, I don't think it is really very accommodating
or a very accommodating place. I don't know what the Holiday
Inn would be like but I am just telling you my impression in
here is that I have to get outside for some fresh air because
I smell the glue from the rug and there is something in this
room that I am very sensitive to, these chemicals and so
forth. I would just like to say that in this public hearing.
Is anyone else aware of this? Is anyone at the Board here,
do you feel stifled? It is rather warm. It is not very
comfortable to really talk and deal with what we have to do
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MS. BURROUGHS: Wouldn't you want to see that somebody does something about it? Maybe open this door here

JUDGE COLE: We can sympathize because we have been

5 a crack.

JUDGE COLE: Why don't you open the door.

MS. BURROUGHS: I would be glad to. That is all I

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you. I may have a problem with the reporters. If you get cold, we will have to close the

(Whereupon, a recess was taken.)

door. We will take about a ten-minute recess.

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JUDGE HOYT: The hearing will come to order.

Let the record reflect that all the parties to the hearing who were present when the hearing recessed, are again present in the hearing room, except I think Mr. Conner has departed.

Is that correct?

MR. WETTERHAHN: Yes, Ma'am.

JUDGE HOYT: The next speaker that we have is Karen Raymond.

MS. RAYMOND: May I speak from over here?

JUDGE HOYT: We would rather you would come up here.

MS. RAYMOND: I would rather not. It makes me

JUDGE HOYT: I will tell you why we have it set up this way. First of all you have a microphone.

Secondly, this is a record that is a verbatim record. There is a recording device on that stand, the speaker's podium that will record for the benefit of the reporters, in that it is a backup system for the recording service.

So, that is the reason it is done that way, and we would ask that you come up.

MS. RAYMOND: I would rather not.

JUDGE HOYT: VEry well, thank you.

MS. RAYMOND: If you would let me speak, I would like to speak from here. Whether you get it doesn't matter to me.

JUDGE HOYT: No, we have had everyone else come up, ma'am, and I think if you will, please.

Thank you.

STATEMENT OF KAREN RAYMOND

MS. RAYMOND: (Inaudible.)

JUDGE HOYT: It is the least of the intimidation and practice that I have been accused of today. My day is made, so you go right ahead.

MS. RAYMOND: I would like to commend you on the slipshod way you have handled this.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you.

MS. RAYMOND: I think calling a public hearing and then changing the day beforehand is a sham.

JUDGE HOYT: Do you wish to address the evacuation plan?

MS. RAYMOND: Yes, I do.

JUDGE HOYT: Would you please proceed on the evacuation plan.

MS. RAYMOND: I think this is a sham.

JUDGE HOYT: Very well, now, would you get to the evacuation plan, please.

MS. RAYMOND: What do you mean "evacuation plan"?

How do we evacuate from daily exposure? How

do we evacuate from trucks carrying waste going through our

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community. How do we evacuate from 10,000 years of storage?

There is no such thing as an evacuation plan. With a nuclear power plant, there is no such thing. In the event of an emergency, every day that thing is in operation, it is an emergency. I don't know how you can live with yourselves.

You call a public hearing to get our opinions, and then the day before, after publicizing where this is going to be, you change it.

JUDGE HOYT: Ma'am do you want to go ahead about the testimony you have on the evacuation plan, please.

MS. RAYMOND: I am testifying.

JUDGE HOYT: On the evacuation plan, if you will.

MS. RAYMOND: This meeting is on the evacuation plan and half the people who might have come might not be here.

That is on the evacuation plan. Shoddy tactics.

It has been publicized for months, and the day before the location is changed? How can you live with yourselves?

That is not asking for our comments, that is escapism. It is not asking what we think, it is a sham.

JUDGE HOYT: Do you have any other testimony,

MS. RAYMOND: No, ma'am.

JUDGE HOYT: Very well, thank you

Do we have anyone else?

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Very well -- oh, all right. Would you please identify yourself and spell your name?

STATEMENT OF PAT TAYNTON

MS. TAYNTON: Is there any other information you would like?

JUDGE HOYT: No, ma'am, that's all.

MS. TAYNTON: I am a teacher. I work with children every day. To me our children are our future. I think maybe that is something we have really forgotten here.

My question is right now regarding the evacuation plan, we have just found out that the information that we were given about Three Mile Island was incorrect. How are we supposed to accept the credibility of the NRC if this late after that incident, we found out that we were misled as to what happened. That plant was close to a meltdown while we were being told there was no reason to be alarmed.

What can you tell me that is going to make me feel any more assured that you would tell us if we were having a problem here?

From what we have seen so far, I find the credibility of the agency is certainly in question.

If I said something in my teaching, in my address to my students, in my educational seminars that I work on, and a year later they said now wait a minute, you said it

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was this and this, and you were off by -- I would be ashamed of my own credibility.

And you are calling this meeting to talk to us presumably to assure people who have already made it very clear they don't want this plant here, and you are saying we are going to do it anyway. And we will be the people who decide whether this is safe and what is happening, and we will let you know when to evacuate. And, we just found out that you have already lied to us.

What can you tell me to assure me that you are not going to lie to us again?

(Pause)

Right. Now you are telling me nothing, which I am real sure that is what you are going to tell me.

JUDGE COLE: Ma'am, I'm not going to respond to a question like that. I think you have some legitimate concerns.

VOICES: We can't hear you.

JUDGE COLE: I was telling her I am not going to respond to a question like that.

VOICES: Like that or any question?

JUDGE HOYT: I am going to caution the audience that this is not a mass meeting participation. We have asked for comments, we will provide you the time, we have stayed here during the morning until everyone had finished, we have

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provided the afternoon session, we are providing the evening session.

If you wish to make a statement you are provided a platform to make it. You are not, as we have told you earlier, going to engage the Board in dialogue.

The function that this Board has is to hear your testimony. It is not to respond to the questions that you may have concerning any individual matter that you may be concerned with, as to whether or not nuclear power is good. Some of which may be better addressed to your Congressman. There were, in many instances, political questions that are not the concern of this Board. Our jurisdiction, our function and indeed our duty is to hear the application of this particular electric company for a license to operate Limerick 1 and 2.

We are attempting in this session to take from the public unsworn, nonevidentiary statements on any matter regarding the emergency evacuation plan that you may wish to make.

It is not the function, it is not the duty, it is not the position of this Board to engage in a dialogue. Those are better done with Region I office. We have provided you with a public relations man from the Region I office, who may answer many of the questions. For example, there was a question this morning as to where certain documents could

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think was the statement -- from the public, when in fact I
know those are in the custody of the Region and they are
aware of where the deposit is made for this region for public
viewing of those documents.

We have attempted to do everything that we can in order to provide you with opportunity that we have been sent from Washington to perform. However, I am very, very sure that we are not going to take the abuse of any individual and to be verbally whipped about up here simply because you are angry with someone else.

Now, we will take your statement regarding this, but we are not going to respond to individuals' questions.

Now you have been told this for the last time, that we intend to in these sessions at Limerick.

If this does not meet with your approval -- although
I may regret it, which I don't -- I am not going to apologize,
nor am I going to take such abuse as I have seen demonstrated
by some people.

I think that if I were in your position, I would have at least respect for the individual a little bit more than to take a public servant and expect them to be subjected to that type of treatment. You don't do it to your own selves. Why should you expect us to be any less entitled to consideration.

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Now, if anybody wishes to make a statement, you may do so.

Judge Cole has tried to indicate to you that he will not respond. Judge Harbour, I think has the same indication. And I have just told you that we will not.

MS. TAYNTON: Okay. I thank you very, very much. I think you have answered my question that the NRC is not going to respond to public opinion.

Thank you.

JUDGE HOYT: No, ma'am, that is not correct, ma'am, and you know it as well as I do.

Now, are there any other speakers that want to make a statement?

If not, we will recess the hearings until 7 o'clock this evening.

Yes, ma'am?

Do you have a statement thatyou want to make?

Very well. Did you give a card to the gentleman?

MS. SCHNEIDER: I didn't, I just decided that I was read.

JUDGE HOYT: Spur of the moment, all right.

STATEMENT OF SUSAN SCHNEIDER

MS. SCHNEIDER: I am Susan Schneider. I live in Glenmore.

There is such an atmosphere here of confrontation

and tension, and I feel it is unfortunate, but I think it is very understandable. And I think you have to realize that what seems to be personal toward the people who happen to be sitting here is actually not that. It is just a response to, from many of us, years of what we have felt has been watching an absurd process go on, namely the siting of this plant in the middle of all this population in a place with no water.

We keep seeing these absurdities go on one after another. And, as we look at these evacuation plans, at the attempt to formulate them, the more we think about them, the more we come to the conclusion that, in fact, it isn't possible to evacuate the kind of population in this kind of area, from he kind oftdanger that we are talking about.

I would like to go back to an experience that I will bet anything we do all share, which is Three Mile Island.

I am sure that that was a very intense time for all of you asd all of your colleagues.

It was also a very intense time for us. I live, say, about 45 miles from Three Mile Island. The thing that we remember, that I remember was becoming extremely aware of the direction of the wind. And I think as we think about this possible event, we have to realize that it is not distance that is going to define the emergency. It is going to be the wind and the weather that define the emergency

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we are talking about, trying to evacuate from.

I cannot believe that anyone looking at this area, looking at the political organization, the nature of the popuation, which is a lot of commuter, which means that people are in one place in the daytime and another place at night. The fact that you are then putting on this very mobile population, you put the shifting of the wind -- the fact is we don't know what we are trying to plan for.

The fact is, we are also trying to plan for something that could change in midstream.

So, to think of a plan that would actually respond to this reality, you would have to have a plan that was just fantastically flexible, had an incredibly complex and total communication system, had all kinds of manpower that was there, ready at all times, had fantastic amounts of equipment all set up and ready. Not some bunch of buses that are going to be used for some kids most of the time. But, if an evacuation comes we are going to use them for those kids over there and not for these kids, because those kids are closer to the plant.

In order to really, seriously think about an evacuation plan, you have to have something which I would imagine would be kind of a -- I don't mean this in a bad sense, I mean a military kind of a plan, a plan of that sort of complexity.

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You know, we know as neighbors around here, we know that that is not the kind of plan that is being contemplated, and is not the kind of plan that will ever appear. It simply is not going to happen.

And I think that it would be actually more honest for the NRC -- and again I mean the whole body, I am not speaking of three individuals here -- I think it would be more honest for you to decide that. Well, I guess in your view, the fact is the chances are so slight of anything really terrible happening that we don't need an evacuation plan. That would be more honest than saying that we do need an evacuation plan, and then ratifying this piece of absurdity which is what this would be.

I think that you should give serious thought to what happens to the relationship of a government body to the people that it is supposed to be dealing with when they just continually ratify one absurdity after the other.

I really believe that in this neighborhood if the NRC decides that they have been presented with adequate evacuation plans, all it will do to the populace is be a signal that, well, they are not to be believed. They are not taking us seriously.

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They are not taking reality seriously.

One member of the panel earlier spoke about, and I think, you know, quite rightfully, spoke about not wanting to be used as a door mat or as the lightening rod for public outrage, this sort of thing.

But I think you have to understand that we in this neighborhood, having watched this process for so long, we feel that, in fact, that is what we are being used as.

There doesn't seem to be any actual attention to reality.

It is just this inexorability of this thing going on.

absolutely nothing that would stop it from happening.

I think that is one reason why the evacuation plans are interesting because it is one of the few times that, in fact, the NRC has had to look directly at the people besides those few who get really involved in the intervention or something like that. Because evacuation is something the people can think about, they can say, can I get my kids out of this area or not and how fast can I when they can't — they feel they can't evaluate, say, the dangers of low level radiation or something like this.

But I think that you have to look carefully. The question here is not just the physical fate of the people in this area but the fate of the relationship of the people in this area to their government,

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essentially.

If we see a lack of attention to reality from the government officials, after awhile, you know, we begin to question essentially, I guess, why we have bought into it. I don't know. I don't know what the answer is.

I do want to leave you somehow able to think about this event without your main feeling having been attacked personally. We really are here because we consider this to be a very serious matter, not because we just want to vent our anger or make a frustrated scream or something like that.

Thank you.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you.

Do we have anyone else?

(Pause.)

JUDGE HOYT: We understand that there is a probability that there is a person that wishes to make a presentation and that they are on their way. It is a handicapped case, and we would like to provide them with that time.

We will recess until the individual comes or any other speakers are available.

We will stay in the vicinity of this room until 4:00 o'clock which is the published hour that we had designated on our --

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The hearing is in recess.

(Recess.)

JUDGE HOYT: The hearing will come to order. Let the record reflect that all parties to the hearing room that were present when the hearing recessed are again present in the hearing room.

We have two additional speakers which we would like to get in before 4 o'clock this afternoon.

I will repeat two messages. One, the bus or van that will transport anyone who needs to have transportation from the Holiday Inn in Pottstown to this hearing site and return them to the Holiday Inn will be available during this evening when this Board will be in session.

The Board will be in session from 7 o'clock until 10 o'clock to take additional statements.

The second announcement is, if there are any others, besides the two names that we have here, who may wish to make a speech or presentation, they may do so this afternoon if they will give to Mr. Crockett their names at the back of the room. And Mr. Crockett is the gentleman with his arms crossed in the blue blazer.

Dr. Charles Koenig.

STATEMENT OF DR. CHARLES KOENIG

MR. KOENIG: I am Dr. Charles Koenig from Limerick.

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I am a veterinarian. My main concern is for the animals that are in my hospital in case there is some sort of nuclear accident at the plant here. I just want to know what provisions have been made so I can evacuate my animals from the clinic.

I generally have at least ten to fifteen animals in the clinic at all times, and this represents a problem to me as far as conscience, what do I do with these animals.

Have provisions been made for -- publicly for these animals to be evacuated?

Also I just tried to get out of my driveway yesterday afternoon on a normal traffic day, and it took me ten minutes to get out of my driveway. So traffic is a problem in my area. I don't have any other questions of the evacuation plan. I just want to know if any provisions have been made for veterinarians in the area.

JUDGE COLE: I don't have the answer to that question directly, but we will find out, and it will be addressed in the evidentiary hearing.

(Pause.)

JUDGE HOYT: Let me respond to the question since it has come up several times today, Doctor, so far as the veterinarians are concerned, because I did not

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ederal Reporters, Inc. recall seeing these in any of the submissions of testimony that has been prefiled, testimony that will be presented next week in the evidentiary hearings. I didn't recall that testimony covering it.

I have spoken with the Nuclear Regulatory

Commission Staff Counsel, and he will have this record

submitted to the Federal Emergency Management Agency for

review, and those concerns expressed on this record will

be picked up and handled by the FEMA during their

testimony. That testimony will come in through the

Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff.

In other words, he will be the counsel presenting the testimony.

Now, the Commonwealth's attorney tells me that the Municipal Emergency Management Agency, your local municipal management coordinator, can discuss that with you.

MR. KOENIG: Do you know a name?

JUDGE HOYT: Do you have those names on any --

MR. WETTERHAN: Where does the gentleman live?

MR. KOENIG: Limerick.

MR. WETTERHAN: We will get it for him.

JUDGE HOYT: Can we assume that you will address this to the gentltman? His address is Limerick, Pennsylvania.

Pedical Reporters, Inc. MR. KOENIG: 345 West Ridge Pike, Limerick.

MR. WETTERHAN: Would you take that address down?

JUDGE HOYT: It is now on the record.

Doctor, you will get the response to your questions. If not, let us know.

MR. KOENIG: While I am on the same subject, you may have covered this previously -- I have just come in -- how about individual animals? I have been told that there have been shelters that have been designated outside of the ten-mile area that individual people can take their pets to.

JUDGE HOYT: Again, I am going to have to defer to both NRC and to the Commonwealth's counsel as well as the applicants' counsel to get that information for you. I do not have it available here.

I don't recall the list that you are talking about that came up earlier today. I am going to find out before Monday, but I don't know at this particular time.

MR. KOENIG: Because I have had many

people in my office express to me that they are not

going to go if it happens without their pets. So this would

present a problem. I am sure this would present a

tremendous problem to the people who are handling those

people, pets and the mass of people. It would be a

bad situation.

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JUDGE HOYT: Thank you very much. Those concerns will be addressed to you directly by the counsel that I have indicated, sir.

I am not sure whether it is Stafford or Standford.

MS. STANDFORD: Standford, S-t-a-n -d-o-r-d, Beth, B-e-t-h.

STATEMENT OF BETH STANDFORD

MS. STANDFORD: I live in Collegeville, and
I have a tremendous amount of questions about Limerick
and this supposed quality of the evacuation plans.
I think as a general public person, I think this brings
out a point that people don't know what to do. There is
this talk about evacuation plans, but how do you find out
what the evacuation plan is? You are just an average
citizen. Where do you find this cut? Do you find it out
when you are in the middle of an emergency and you
don't know where to go and all of a sudden sirens are
blaring and you realize it is not a test call?

That really concerns me tremendously, considering that within ten miles of Limerick there are 210,000 people, and you sure can't tell me -- I am trying to find out about the evacuation plans now and having a difficult time understanding them. And all those 210,000 people sure haven't found out all the details.

It really concerns me that if, indeed, there were an accident and we did have the sirens go off, that there would be a tremendous amount of hysteria and people rushing to get out of here within that quote unquote safe zone of ten miles which, as I understand the evacuation plans, is all that we are even condisering.

We are not considering what happens 20 miles away or 30 miles away when we have 900,000 people to deal with.

Someone earlier spoke about the wind blowing, which direction the radiation is going to blow. How are we going to evacuate 900,000 people from this area of Limerick? That really concerns me terribly, that I am going to ge a little individual stuck in the middle of that mess and that mass hysteria.

5 o'clock traffic in this area within ten miles, within 15 miles of Limerick is horrendous.

I travel from Collegeville to an area that is quote unquote safe because it is out of the ten miles and non-traffic time it takes me half an hour.

During traffic, it takes me an hour. This is just average 5 o'clock traffic.

How much time is it going to take to get out of this ten-mile zone when you have got 210,000 people, and then who is going to tell me where to go? Where do I go?

Do I just all of a sudden, is there going to be a big sign that says, okay, you are ten miles out, you are safe, don't worry, no problem, stay there for a week and then you will be fine, you can go back to your house?

How am I ever going to get my possessions back?

Are my possessions going to be eradiated so that I can never have them again? Who is going to answer all those questions for all those 210,000 people? Are there any scientific studies that indicate that once you are ten miles away from a nuclear power plant, that has had a serious radiation problem, radiation leak, you are safe?

How do you know that that is a reasonable distance to go? Maybe it should be 20. Maybe it should be 30 or 40. Who can say to me, scientifically, I know radiation causes cancer. That has been scientifically proven. Who can scientifically tell me how far away I would have to go or if I can ever come back to this area again?

In all the evacuation plans, I have not heard anything dealt with at all as far as what you are going to do with the people in the long run if there was a serious accident and the area was eradiated and we could not return. Because, as I understand it, radiation doesn't go away in a year or so. It takes a life time, beyond life times to go away.

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The other concern I had -- this was brought out earlier -- is I remember, I wasn't that old when Limerick was having problems. I really wasn't even aware of nuclear disasters, but I remember hearing on the radio that that someone who was a public relations individual was saying, well, don't worry; there is no problem. You are safe. There is no dangerous radiation leak, but we are not sure exactly how to stop what is going on, but we have enough time to figure it out. And now five years later, we are finding out through the news that Three Mile Island was dangerously close to a melt down, and we didn't even know it then. The people who should have known it five years or however many years ago Three Mile Island was didn't know that they were that close to a melt down until they actually got inside there.

I find that very frightening that nuclear power is such a dangerous thing and radiation is such a dangerous carcinogen, and yet we aren't sure how to deal with the industry itself, how to deal with the ways and how to deal with the disasters as they begin to happen.

Three Mile Island certainly proved that to us.

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The other -- I forget when the test was done,
a couple months ago or whatever, there was a test done to
test the evacuation plan. And when I talked to some of the
people who had been observers for that plan, it apparently
took a tremendous amount of time before, as the
scenario went along, before the sirens actually sounded.

Are we going to have that much time if there is a nuclear disaster for half an hour or an hour for people to be calling each other just to know what to do in their role? Are people really going to stay here?

If you knew that that plant was near melt down, would you really stay here and play out the role you are supposed to play in the evacuation plan and not get our yourself? Of if you have a family, if you have a husband or a wife or a child, you have a little 12-year old child who is home alone and you are supposed to be driving a bus to a school to evacuate somebody else or you are supposed to be plowing snow if this happened in the middle of a snow storn or you are supposed to be dealing with traffic lights that go out.

Would you worry about your own little child who is sitting at home, or would you worry about the general public?

Those are decisions that I think are very difficult. I don't have obviously any children. It makes

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me very nervous to hear what the school evacuation plans are. I can't imagine if I had my own child in there, that you have to rely on people and busses to come from outside the quote unquote safe zone of ten miles to come in to a zone that is quote unquote radiated to pick people up.

The last I heard that was a situation with some of the school busses, that there aren't enough school busses within the ten mile danger zone to Limerick that are going to be able to get the kids out of here.

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Lastly, for those of us I am involved not actually within the 20-miles but I know there are school type programs that go on within the ten miles where they have general public there, where there are children there that they are responsible for taking care of and you have your own care that you drove yourself there with, but people get dropped off and the sirens go off and you don't have an evacuation plan for your school because you are in a public school so you don't have one.

Maybe you have 20 kids there to deal with and there are also farm animals. What are you going to do with your horses? Do you leave them there that belong to the school and the cats and the dogs? Do you leave them there to get irradiated or do you take them with you and if you take them, where do you take them to?

I think the biggest thing is that there are so many questions that the general public can't get answers to and even when you try to get arswers, these evacuation plans are so confusing that you can't figure out what would really happen anyway. I wouldn't want to be in the position of trying to make an evacuation plan for 210,000 people. I don't know how you are going to do it or how whoever is supposed to do it, is going to do it. I don't know how if you write a 600-page evacuation plan people are going to remember the plan when they accident happens and when they are in that tense situation.

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I just find it all very frightening. I really do. That is all I have to say.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you.

(Board conferring off the record.)

MS. STANFORD: Can you answer any of my questions?

JUDGE COLE: Some of your questions concerning the completeness of evacuation plans and notification of the public and education of the public, after the evacuation plans are evaluated there is a document that is prepared and distributed to the public. I don't have any specific information about that in this particular case but that is done in every case and it will be done here and it is a regulation of the Commission.

So the public will be advised in that way at least in general terms what they should do during an emergency. That is usually the title of the publication, what to do in an emergency and then it has instructions inside as to what the members of the public should do. That has not been prepared yet as far as we know.

JUDGE HOYT: I have one addition to Judge Cole's statement there that I think you might find helpful in your thinking on that. What you have been seeing and I think sometimes unfortunately are mislabeled, these are draft plans. These are the working plans, the working drawings if you will from which the final plans materialize. They are frequently

substantially different than what you see in the draft form. The final form is different from the draft form hopefully.

What you have been seeing probably and I know what you are saying having read a few thousand of these that they are very difficult to follow because there are substantial gaps from which you cannot take premise A and logically reach premise B. I am very sympathetic with what you are saying but I think that may help you in your thinking. It is not intended to be an excuse. It is merely an explanation that may be helpful for you.

QUESTION FROM THE FLOOR: Do you have any idea when it will be out?

JUDGE HOYT: When the final plans become finally available and have been run through the system and they are completely wrung out of all hopefully errors and mistakes that are in the others.

QUESTION FROM THE FLOOR: Will that definitely be before Limerick is operational?

JUDGE HOYT: Probably not necessary.

(Chorus of "oh, no's.")

JUDGE HOYT: We are giving you the hedging "probably not necessarily so."

JUDGE COLE: But we don't know.

JUDGE HOYT: We do not know at this time is what we are telling you. What we are hearing now is the emergency plan

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contentions from which when we write our decision which also goes through two levels of Commission review and on into the courts in many cases.

COMMENT FROM THE FLOOR: That isn't very encouraging.

JUDGE HOYT: No, ma'am. It is just explanation.

because on November 7th, I ran out front, my brother lives across from me and he and his wife ran out front and he said, "What do we do?" I said, "I guess we evacuate." Our sirens went off. There was never anything on the radio. If an accident like that can happen that the sirens will go off, what can we count on?

JUDGE COLE: Normally the notice that goes out would tell you what to do.

SPEAKER FROM THE FLOOR: It didn't.

JUDGE COLE: You haven't gotten it yet.

SPEAKER FROM THE FLOOR: Our county commissions have very clearly stated that they will not accept any plan and they will not approve the licensing. They are opposed to it, the licensing of Limerick if the plans are not safe. They have made that as a flat statement.

JUDGE HOYT: Let me stop you right at that point to tell you that the federal government through your Congress and mine have preempted the field of licensing of nuclear power. This licensing of nuclear power is in the hands --

deral Reporters, Inc. I know what you are going to say, Ms. Ferkin and I will argue the state's rights at a later time with you because I know your thoughts on that -- but in the field of nuclear power licensing, that is a federal responsibility. Your County supervisors cannot either deny or license a nuclear power facility.

SPEAKER FROM THE FLOOR: Given that, the people of Chester County having read that in the Daily Local and other papers, but I will ask you, will you license the plant --

JUDGE HOYT: I think I am going to stop you right there and tell you that I am not going to respond to the question because I know where you are going with it. That is exactly why we are sitting here today taking these statements and why we will be in the beautiful city of Philadelphia next for the next few weeks hearing the evacuation plans for this area pertaining to the Limerick plant. It is a requirement of the Commission that this be done before the licensing of it is approved.

SPEAKER FROM THE FLOOR: Is there any proportion of disagreement that you would accept, perhaps the majority of the people of the state --

JUDGE HOYT: No, ma'am. That is not what we can look at in the broad aspects in which I think you are framing your question. There are always little nuances that could be looked at. For example, we have in one of the contentions that we will

Faderal Reporters, Inc. take evidence on next week, I think the human factors, which is towards what you are aiming out there.

Now we are going to take you, sir, and that is going to close us out until seven o'clock.

MR. WETTERHAHN: In response to your question or Dr. Charles Koenig's question, Mr. Ed Doman, D-O-M-A-N, is the municipal emergency coordinator for his local area. I will provide him his telephone number at the close of this hearing.

JUDGE HOYT: Would you please get that from the gentleman, sir. Is that all you have, sir?

MR. WETTERHAHN: That is all I have.

SPEAKER FROM THE FLOOR: Would you please explain to me the purpose of these hearings? Why do you want to hear us? What is it used for? I don't understand what you do with it? Why do you take it if it has no bearing on the licensing?

JUDGE HOYT: Perhaps you are trying --

SPEAKER FROM THE FLOOR: I have a feeling that nothing will ever be done with it. That is why I am asking.

JUDGE HOYT: No, ma'am. It now will be several volumes by the time we finish tomorrow and that testimony will be read. As one of the gentlemen indicated earlier and I think it was the NRC counsel, this record will be given to the Federal Emergency Management Agency. For example, this is one use of it. That record will be scanned to see if in the

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course of the hearings that we had here those emergency concerns that were expressed need to be addressed by the FEMA people in their presentation to us. That is a determination that they will make.

We, in turn, have a right to examine this record and if we find out that your testimony has raised here then we may exercise what is called the <u>sua sponte</u> authority of this Board to address any health and safety concerns that we hear that we think may need to be addressed within the statutory bounds of our authority.

Remember, we are not blessed or cursed with an unlimited jurisdiction. We are very narrowly directed by law into what we can consider and it is a very difficult determination sometime to make.

JUDGE COLE: A considerable number of the issues that were raised by people this morning are already involved as contentions and issues in the case upon which we will take expert testimony and write a decision based on that testimony.

SPEAKER FROM THE FLOOR: I have just one comment about animals.

JUDGE HOYT: I think you are making a statement so let's get your name so we will know from whom we are getting all this valuable information.

MS. DOLAN: My name is Deawn Dolan and I am from Doylestown which is in the 25-mile radius and regarding

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animals in talking with the director of emergency management in New Jersey, I personally didn't do it but one of the members of the county did, we talked to him and we asked what would happen to animals that people had with them and he said that they couldn't take care of them and this is after exhausting Bucks County.

JUDGE HOYT: I think we have addressed that for you by telling you what we are doing with this record here. I think you are predetermining what this hearing is going to consider. We are going to consider the concerns that the doctor raised by the FEMA probably, very probably. Are you going to look into it, Ms. Ferkin?

MS. DOLAN: He said that they would allow the people to bring the animals out so that they wouldn't have less qualms about leaving their animals behind but if they got as far as New Jersey, they would be taken from them and have to be disposed of.

> JUDGE HOYT: Thank you. We must close it out.

SPEAKER FROM THE FLOOR: I deal with handicapped people and there are times at our facility, at our school, when we have large numbers of handicapped children and adults there. There are times when we have groups and loading them on a bus to take them out takes at least an hour to get those wheelchairs onto the bus and get them moving. Is that being addressed?

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Federal Reporters, Inc. probably be addressed through the testimony next week and if you want to come to the evidentiary hearings and you do not hear those concerns testified about or explained or some sort of expert testimony given as to how long it takes to load a handicapped person from point "A" to point "B" and transport them to point "C". What is your school by the way?

SPEAKER FROM THE FLOOR: Sebastian Riding Associates.

JUDGE HOYT: We will see if it is answered. If it isn't, you may certainly petition to one of the people in the proceeding both the NRC counsel and you have the gentleman who is the Energy Counsel from Pennsylvania.

Now, last question. This is absolutely the end

SPEACER FROM THE FLOOR: I just wanted to say that it is the end of this whole afternoon's meeting just now, within the past 15 mor 20 minutes, you have responded to our questions and I want to thank you. I appreciate it and I am sure we all do because before this time, we might have been talking to the wall or to ourselves with whom we are all in agreement. We know what we are all here about.

I wondered what is the format. Is there one of this kind of a hearing and why we weren't allowed to have answers to our questions before?

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rs, Inc. neglecting to consider is the fact that the format of the hearing is the input that you give us. If we establish a dialogue with you although it might be helpful to you, it does not aid the Board is reaching the decision that it must reach and to have your input. We know the answers to these things.

We feel that there are other avenues available for you to find these answers out hopefully. Nothing is certain but, for example, there is Region I's office. There are toll free numbers to the NRC Commission that can be used. There are a number of avenues open if you wish to use them and if we in trying to establish a hearing in this area, we want your input into our decision making process rather than become an instructional mechanism for you because we feel there are other avenues available for that.

JUDGE COLE: I think we are a poor source of information for you because we are here to get information and we have to write a decision that is going to then go through whatever legal system exists. If the decision is wrong, so be it. But we are collecting information from you so that we can make a determination whether the evacuation plan is satisfactory or not. That is why we have been taking notes here in listening to this and that is why we have an evidentiary session that is going to begin next week. We are going to listen to

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that and we are going to have to decide.

SPEAKER FROM THE FLOOR: Can there possibly be any feedback right now to this group as to how what you got from us today will be used? Do you need more facts from us or more information? Do you need more facts instead of our feeling about this?

JUDGE COLE: Right now the issues that are before us are the contentions that are presently in the case. There are 17 or 18 contentions that are identified upon which we would have to take evidence and write a decision.

There are certain things that happened today that I took notes on, most of which I think fit under the umbrella of contentions that are already in the case and we are going to make sure that those aspects are covered.

If, upon reading this record I personally find that there are any otler issues that I think are important, I am going to raise those issues in the hearing to make sure that I am satisfied that it is not a problem. If I think it is a problem, I will either try to get it resolved or make my decision accordingly whether they satisfy the requirements for an off-site emergency plan or not.

JUDGE HOYT: Let me repeat the other thing that I spoke about a little earlier with you and that is, if you bring up a matter even if it is not the subject of a contention and it is something that the Board in our infinite wisdom

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e-Federal Reporters, Inc. thinks it is necessary in the health and safety area that we must address in our decision, then we will yery probably order evidence to be submitted and the parties to give us briefs on various positions and subjects addressing any of these concerns that we may feel your testimony has raised in this hearing.

That is not exactly a hollow statement either. It has to be done in several cases. I don't know the history of this particular case. Judge Cole may recall, but I don't recall whether this Board has exercised its sua sponte authority or not in this case prior.

In other NRC cases that I can think of -MR. HASSELL: Shoreham.

JUDGE HOYT: Shoreham, exactly, was one where the Board exercised its <u>sua sponte</u> authority and it picked up on something that was said. Were you on the Shoreham case?

MR. HASSELL: For a while.

JUDGE HOYT: Did that come out of limited appearance statements? I don't recall that.

MR. HASSELL: Not directly but there were some union people who had been there so it wasn't totally in the context there.

JUDGE HOYT: Some piece of information you pick up on and then you want more than is already in the record and it may not even be the subject of the contention. As Judge

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Cole just explained to you, many of the concerns that he has been taking some notes on here and he is an excellent notetaker and Judge Harbour and I are going to rely on, if there are some of the notes that he has before we go into the evidentiary hearings in Philadelphia next week, we will talk about and we will say that this is going to be an issue that is going to be addressed in so-and-so testimony and let's be sure he says so-and-so and so-and-so and that we find out the response to that because we have a question on this and we are going to want to know the answer to it.

We have to end.

SPEAKER FROM THE FLOOR: I have a question and I can't back tonight or tomorrow morning.

JUDGE HOYT: One minute.

SPEAKER FROM THE FLOOR: A concern that I didn't mention is one that was mentioned by a gentlemen a few minutes ago, sirens are supposed to go off at the stage four which is what the gentlemen said and you have to get 210,000 people or 900,000 people out of here. One thing that would relieve my mind would be if the sirens would go off sooner. I hear that the sirens go off later because it would such a big thing to evacuate that many people, that we don't want to evacuate unless we absolutely have to. We would rather be evacuated sooner and got people out of here as safely as we could than to evacuate at the very last minute before the thing is going

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to melt down. Thank you very much.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you. We are in recess until seven o'clock this evening.

(Whereupon, the hearing was recessed at 4:20 o'clock p.m., to reconvene at 7:00 o'clock p.m., the same day.)

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EVENING SESSION

(7:00 p.m.)

JUDGE HOYT: The hearing will come to order. Let the record reflect that all the parties to the hearing who were present when the hearing recessed are again in the hearing room and that Mr. Connor has rejoined the hearing.

We have a couple of announcements for this evening. We notice that we have a total of 16 speakers so far this evening and that if we allocate the three hours that we have set aside for this evening's hearing, we will start with about five minutes and see if any of the speakers drop out or for some reason make less than a five-minute presentation, we can take more. But I think we will limit the speakers for this evening's session, in view of the number and the time available, to five minutes.

I would also like to introduce the Board since I think this is almost an entirely new group here this evening.

I am Judge Helen Hoyt, the Chairperson of this particular Board. Immediately to my left is Judge Cole, the engineering member of the panel, and to my right is Dr. Jerry Harbour, Judge Harbour, who is the environmental member of the panel.

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We have noticed that one of the problems we have encountered in the morning session is the understanding that many people in coming to this hearing may or may not have of what the purpose of the hearing is and what we can do and what we will respond to and ask from you this evening.

I think probably the easiest way to explain it is in the language the Commission has used in its regulations. Specifically in what may be cited, for those of you who have a legal bent, as 10 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 2.715, entitled Participation by a Person not a Party.

In paragraph (a), I shall read it in its entirety, it is as follows:

"A person who is not a party may, in the discretion of the proceeding officer, be permitted to make a limited appearance by making oral or written statement of his position on the issues at any session of the hearing or any prehearing conference within such limits and on such conditions as may be fixed by the presiding officer, but he may not otherwise participate in the proceeding."

Very briefly, what that says is we are asking your input into these hearings. You are not a party. You do not come here and have any evidence to be presented.

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Rederal Reporters, Inc. But you do have an opinion, a statement, that you wish to bring before the Commission's representatives which are the three of us and which you may make at this time. It may be a particular part of the proceeding that you are interested in. Specifically, this Board is charged with the responsibility of hearin; the off-site emergency planning contentions.

These evidentiary hearings where evidence will be admitted will be presented next week in Philadelphia, starting on Monday at 1:30. We will have hearings on Monday from 1:30 till 4:00. Then on Tuesday, and then Wednesday morning. We will reconvene the following week for an additional set of hearings.

All of these things, the dates have been published. These hearings will occur in the Old Customs House in Philadelphia.

I don't think there is anything else that need to be said at this time, but I wish that the persons present here this evening would understand that what we need is your input. We are not here to respond to your various questions as to how the Commission works, how does the government operate, how does the Commission do its job; the Commission being the whole of the organization, including the various Commissioners who are

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The response that you may get from some of the people that would be here -- I don't think the NRC representative from the King of Prussia region 1 office is here this evening.

(Pause.)

JUDGE HOYT: Is he here?

MR. CROCKETT: I haven't seen him.

MR. WETTERHAHN: Mr. Abrams is here.

JUDGE HOYT: Mr. Abrams then, who is the public relations officer from the -- I'm sorry.

MR. ABRAMS: I thought you were referring to a technical member of the staff.

JUDGE HOYT: No. For tonight, Mr. Abrams, that is you.

Mr. Abrams will be able to probably give you some information, or he can tell you where you can write to obtain any pamphlet or information of that kind that you may want.

Certainly the response that we can give to you in some cases may not be the complete one because I know I, and I am certain my colleagues here, recognize NUREGS shorthand terms. But I can't always give you the exact NUREG number, for example, and it may not be necessary to do so.

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Also, I would like to introduce to you the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's counsel representing the staff in these proceedings.

Sir, would you rise?

MR. HASSELL: My name is Mr. Hassell. I represent the NRC staff.

JUDGE HOYT: Then from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the Governor's Energy Council is represented by Zori Ferkin.

MS. FERKIN: I am Zori Ferkin with the Governor's Energy Council in Harrisburg, and I represent the interests of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in this proceeding.

JUDGE HOYT: The other intervenors, I don't think are here. However, the counsel for the Philadelphia Electric Company is represented by Mr. Connor and the members of his firm seated at the table at the end.

Miss Mulligan, who is a representative, I think, vice chairman of LEA is here this evening. If you will rise so that you may --

MS. MULLIGAN: Good evening.

JUDGE HOYT: Mr. Abrams, do you have any of those, or do we still have those pamphlets that used to be handed out?

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MR. CROCKETT: He is not here right now.

JUDGE HOYT: That's fine. Some of
those sometimes can be helpful. You may ask him if they

I think that that pretty much covers what we are going to try to do this evening in terms of conducting these hearings.

still have any of those available.

Remember, we want your input to us, your statement, your views, your participation. If you have technical questions, more than likely we couldn't answer them and would not try to answer them in this particular setting.

In other words, as you know from lawyers that you may have dealt with, there are two opinions, an office opinion from which you get a very good reserach job, and then there is a curbstone opinion which isn't worth the time that is involved in discussing it.

Very well. With that, we will call our first speaker for this evening. That is Mr. Joe Mc Daniel.

MR. HASSELL: If I may, one preliminary matter -.JUDGE HOYT: I'm sorry. We agreed --

MR. HASSELL: I will be very brief. The NRC staff wanted to clarify at least for the record the commitment it made during this afternoon's session.

JUDGE HOYT: Would you rise, sir.

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MR. HASSELL: As a preliminary matter, the NRC staff would like to clarify the commitment it made during this afternoon's limited appearance session.

As a consequence of a bench conference, the S taff has committed, pursuant to the Board's request, to provide copies of the transcript of the sessions, of the limited appearances, to FEMA for FEMA to review and be prepared to address to the extent it is able to the significant concerns that are related in those transcripts as they fall within the scope of the contentions admitted to this proceeding.

I just wanted to clarify that that is what our commitment is. It is the Board's understanding that that is what the staff's commitment is?

JUDGE HOYT: You have described it exactly, sir.

What counsel was explaining was that in the previous session, there had been some questions concerning some information that we thought there may be some need for FEMA, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, better known as FEMA, to address when it gives its testimony which will be given as evidence before these hearings in the Philadelphia proceedings.

Mr. Hassell, who is the NRC counsel, will, of course, represent the government side of that participation.

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you have told us.

you make to us, that we have these transcripts, and every bit of the conversation in the proceedings tonight will be transcribed verbatim. We have three court reporters available who will go through the evening. They

will be able to then have a full knowledge of what it is

That is the reason he was able to make that commitment.

It demonstrates two things. One is the

concern that the counsel who are here have in the statements

That is how your concerns will be addressed. We will not address them here this evening.

Mr. McDaniel?

Thank you, sir.

STATEMENT OF JOE MC DANIEL

MR. MC DANIEL: I am Joe McDaniel. I am a resident of Skippack Township. I promise not to use my full five minutes.

I am concerned, as each of us are probably concerned, when we have a new neighbor on the block. I would like to verbalize some of these concerns, ask one question and raise one issue.

I am concerned about the way these proceedings and the way this unit may affect my utility bill. I am concerned about the way that the waste products that this plant generates will be handled, and

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ultimately disposed of. I am concerned about the terrific amount of waste of resources that have been involved here, and I would like to raise the issue of the evacuation plan.

My one question is, how long will the power plant last? I don't think anybody has ever addressed that, not to my satisfaction anyway.

I recall an old dated article that said this type of plant could be expected to last 20 to 30 years and that would be all. That information may have changed.

The one issue I would like to raise involves
the evacuation plan. As a resident of Skippack Township,
one of the main thoroughfares through our town is Poute 113.
There is a bridge there scheduled to be closed and reworked
by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.

My concern, as a good neighbor, is that should we have the need to evacuate the area with that main thoroughfare closed, that bridge not accessible, how poorly this evacuation plan that I don't personally believe would work with that added albatross around its neck.

So my proposal and/or question or issue would be, can this committee, with the representatives of the power company, with the representatives of the state, can we do something about discussing, proposing, going on record for or against a temporary bridge on Route 113

while that main bridge is closed?

Essentially, that is the end of my statement.

I would like to thank you for a llowing us this forum and I would like to apologize for leaving early.

I have two other commitments tonight, but I would like to hear this and other people that are here.

Thank you.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you, Mr. McDaniel.

Mr. Jewson?

MR. JEWSON: I would like to turn my time over to Mr. Greeby. I believe he is number three on the list.

JUDGE HOYT: In other words, you want to give him ten minutes?

MR. JEWSON: I think it will only take less than five.

STATEMENT OF GEORGE A. GREEBY, JR.

MR. GREEBY: The following is -- I am going to read a statement I have prepared here rather than try and deal with my memory. This is the opinion of my -- I am the director of emergency management in Lower Frederick Township. This is my opinion and it is shared by my assistant, Mr. Edward Jewson. And it is addressing our feeling of the evacuation plan, especially the part that we play in it.

Our roster is not at the level that we would like.

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However, at this point in time, our manpower is adequate for any perceived emergency. People who have volunteered to help us are already on our roster and in addition to those concerned citizens, our staff includes the local fire company and the ambulance corps.

These people make themselves available for all types of emergency situations 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. We feel we have a workable plan for evacuation, if necessary, for any cause -- chemical spill, flood, fire or other natural disaster.

The plan includes transportation of people who do not have their own mode of transportation and people with medical problems. In order to do this, we have polled citizens in our community for pertinent information concerning their individual needs.

After confirmation, we continually update our roster information. With the help of the county and other concerned citizens, we are able to obtain resources not necessarily located in our immediate municipality. These citizens and groups have been more than cooperative. They have offered materials support.

Due to the size of the task of coordinating municipalities, the necessary facilities, the number of people involved and the time element, the plans at this

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point in time are not totally completed for a Limerick emergency. Not a lot of information has been released to the public at this time because all the facets have not come together.

When they do, the plan is to notify the public with a total picture of what is happening and also to designate individual assignments. It is very important that everyone understand and act properly so that the plan can be well implemented. The tools and materials obtained in order to have a workable plan to evacuate Limerick will have a side benefit of allowing each individual municipality to better serve and, if necessary, alert their respective citizens for any problems that might arise in their municipality.

Our thinking, all the municipalities involved are now in a much safer situation for protecting and serving their citizens.

Finally, we wish to address the question some people have raised about latch key children.

We already have identified several in our community. Their need is already listed in our roster for special transportation. Children in this category must be cared for. The children's well-being is an important issue, and we can only function to serve on the information that the public presents to us.

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If some people still need to respond,
we await their information. Short of putting advertisements
in the local papers, there is not much else that we can
do.

The questionnaires have been sent to
every household in Lower Frederick Township requesting
information in regards to hearing, other physical
impairments, and all transportation needs. It was
through these questionnaires that we have already
identified some of our latch key children.

Thank you very much.

That concludes my statement.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you.

Sheila Jernegan, J-e-r-n-e-g-a-n.

STATEMENT OF SHEILA JERNEGAN

MS. JERNEGAN: First of all, I would like to say that I think it was inexcusable for these meetings to be moved one day before the time. If I hadn't read the paper --

(Applause.)

MS. JERNEGAN: -- I would not have known.

I planned on being here. Secondly, as far as the evacuation plan, I attended a debate about a month ago between a man representing PE and a woman representing

LEA. After the debate was over, there was a question and

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I feel that is up to PE. If they want to open this plant that may cause a serious problem in this area, then they should be the ones to make the plans and to see that they are implemented in the schools.

As far as the drills are concerned, I feel that they are absurd. It is absurd to tell people when you are having a drill about emergency planning.

When schools have fire drills, they don't tell the kids, hey, you know, we are having a fire drill today, do your best.

This is utterly nonsense, as far as I am concerned.

I am aware there is another drill coming up in the

near future; I forget the exact date. I think it is

the 20th. As far as I know, my daughter also attends

Pottstown High School, the schools are supposed to be

involved, and she knows absolutely nothing about it -
nothing. Nothing has been said to the children in the

area.

I just do not believe that any evacuation is possible in this area. It is too congested and it would be impossible to get people out of Pottstown. In fact, the

first drill that they had, I live less than a mile, as the crow flies, from the power plant. I didn't hear the siren. I did not hear it. Many of the people in my neighborhood did not hear it. This is unbelievable to me that a company can be able to open something like this in an area that is so heavily populated and endanger the lives of the people in the community.

Also at the debate, their representative from PE was asked several questions, and one question was about the water. He had no answer. One question was about the waste. He had no answer.

They don't know where the waste is going. They don't know where they are getting the water. They don't know how they are evacuating people.

As far as I am concerned, they know nothing, and I want to know something before this plant is allowed to go on line.

(Applause.)

JUDGE HOYT: If you wish to applaud, then I would remind you that these hearings close at 10 o'clock, and you are taking the time from your other friends and neighbors. This is an administrative law court. We try to give it the same type of procedural decorum that we would expect in the Federal District Court.

Better still, we try to give it the same kind of

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respect that I am sure the minister, who had testified here earlier today, would expect of his congregation, if his congregation were to meet.

VOICE: Now you are taking my time.

JUDGE HOYT: And I intend to again if it continues.

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STATEMENT OF WILLIAM L. CREMERS, JR.

MR. CREMERS: W. L. Cremers, Phoenixville Nursery, Coventryville, Warwick Township residence.

Judge Hoyt, I am very glad you mentioned law. It hasn't beenmentioned very much around here. May 1 we celebrate every year Lqw Day, government of laws and not of men.

Since the beginning, everything connected with nuclear power has been a government of men and not of laws.

With the greatest legal loathing that I can command, I condemn the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, the Price-Anderson Act of 1957, and the way that the NRC in general conducts its hearings.

Individuals are to be commended for their resistance to that, Victor J. Gilinsky for example, and others.

Certainly there is no criticism of this panel. I have seen Judge Cole before, and I know he is a fine man.

One thing that I have been concerned about that

Judge Hoyt said, and I see no reason to criticize her, but

I am perplexed, is that late this afternoon she spoke about

the possibility, the probability of Limerick being operational
before there was a final evacuation plan.

This goes counter to everything that I have heard before. I may be wrong, but that is what I have heard.

Now I would like to just cover a few things very briefly. We have had our third hearing, and what I thought we are talking about here is the adequacy of evacuation plans.

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Yet I haven't even heard a definition of the word "adequate."

You know, unless you look a thing up maybe you don't know what you are talking about. Today we talk in such terms of, "Well, the boy's work was adequate," and so forch.

Webster's Dictionary doesn't talk that way at all.

"Adequate, words like fully sufficient, competent, suitable,
full, satisfactory, ample." That is what adequate means.

Incidentally, if you look up in Webster's
Unabridged Dictionary, you will see Luke 14:28 quoted;
very interesting: "For which of you intending to build a
tower sitteth not down first and counted the costs whether
he has sufficient to finish it."

Now I am not thinking just about the 18 times
by which PECO missed its first test, or the 5 2/3 times
by which it missed its guess in 1974 when it went ahead
with it. At that time, the time that Stuart Udall said that
this is a dangerous, hazardous, inefficient sort of a
business, has proven a better prognosticator than you would
have wanted to find. 87 failed nukes -- at least 87 since
1975.

The bible speaks about lawyers wanting to justify themselves. I have no brief for lawyers. I am one of them, but they have in general failed people in the Twentieth Century. So have engineers when they try to get a force fit

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through and the force fit is that they don't start with the problem in the first place.

The idea -- my father was an engineer and a good one, and he had over 200 engineers working for him. He would have fired any one of them that went into a thing like this without having a waste disposal plan on line first.

You just do not go about doing these things this way, the profit motive. I am a graduate of the Wharton School. I have no problems with the profit motive until it runs amok. We have gone this way, we must not let our evacuation plans go amok.

We haven't done a thing, for example, to consider what happens. We are not out for a weekend in the country or something. What happens the first day, the third day, the seventh day or the ten thousandth day if there is an emission of particulates and ruins the Delaware Valley.

I have a little -- well, I think one thing -- I'm not much of an expert on evacuation, but I drive the 12 miles to my office from Coventryville, and I have had occasion to notice that -- roughly 10,000 trips over the last 17 years, and most of the way one car cannot get by that 20 feet. You have 20 feet of parkway and a little bit of berm on the side. Much of the way it cannot at all. There are several miles in there, including quite a bit near the Owen J. Roberts School. Many, many places where the slightest bit of a

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jam up would stop things.

Speaking from our own place, we have roughly 1000 feet of frontage on our farm on Route 23. Once a year we get -- on the average we get somebody flipping into it, their automobile or truck. The average distance is 220 feet. The record is 370 feet. It turned over five or six times, lit on its head and the man walked away. He was very Ducky.

It is typical of the type of driving that goes on.

I am passed by Volkswagens. No objection to Volkswagens,
but they seem to have a way of trying to reach the theoretical
limit while going at 55, maybe occasionally pressing close to
my 60, 61 that some of us try for.

I am often passed by cars at many, many miles an hour and we just don't get anything in normal use to indicate that there would not be crazy driving. When we have the pressures of an evacuation, we would be sure to have it.

Now I am just going to close with one little suggestion. Dr. Harold Denton was here a few weeks ago, prior to the low-level testing license being granted, and he proved, I think, quite strongly PECO's probablistic risk principle. I gather it is something like this: If there is one part of a plant that has one chance in a thousand or ten thousand of failing, then there is something else that will counteract that. And, it has maybe one chance in ten

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thousand of failing, and then there is something else to take care of that. By and by you have got to the point where there is only about one chance in four million or whatever, that things will go wrong despite all evidence to the contrary, and all the voluntarily retired nukes by public utilities with concern.

So I am just going to suggest, let's apply that principle. Somebody spoke this afternoon of our friend Dr. Murphy. Now Dr. Murphy's law is with us every day in whatever we do. Now, let's just try this one, put the thing together for size and say, here we have — the chances are eight out of ten this will work. But, if something else over here doesn't work, that will impact on it and reduce the chance to six out of ten. And, if something else works on both of them, it will reduce it to two out of ten.

By and by something will reduce it to so low a figure, that any reasonable similarity to the word adequate is ridiculous. And I commend to the Board here that in reaching its final decision, I remember Judge Ernest Harvey of our Bench used to say to jurors when they went into their -- you don't leave your common sense when you go into -- in the courtroom when you go into the jury room.

Common sense, you can find, you can sense hundreds of people just rebelling at the very nature of what is being foisted on them as an evacuation plan.

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The best thing that was ever written, I think, about evacuation plans was written by Dick Ketcham of Boyer and Ketcham's Country Journal in July of 1979, and he said there, just to quote his words, "Why should intelligent people tolerate an energy system that requires an evacuation plan."

JUDGE HOYT: Counsel, may I give you the citation to the Emergency Plan Regulations. It is 10 CFR 50.47. That is for you, sir. 10 CFR 50.47.

MR. CREMERS: Thank you.

JUDGE HOYT: Mr. Richard G. Myers.

STATEMENT OF RICHARD G. MYERS

MR. MYERS: I am a resident of Northampton Township in Bucks County, and my comments have to do with impacting on this type of thing, our concerns in Bucks County.

First of all, I believe there is three basic reasons why full power operating license as well as a low power operating license should not be issued for this facility.

The first is very clearcut, and that is there is no quaranteed source of cooling water for the generating facility here to operate at full power. There is no source quaranteed to be on line by the date of commercial operation, which we have heard variously is the beginning or the early spring of 1985.

The first source which they had relied on was

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Ideral Reporters, Inc. Point Pleasant Pumping Station project in Bucks County which is not completed. There is no work going on. Estimates have it approximately 30 percent complete at this point.

There is no way in the world that that facility would be operating within a year from now even if construction were begin today again, which can assure you as a resident from Bucks County that that will not happen. That project has not to date been completed, it is nowhere near on schedule, construction is not going on now, it has not gone on for almost six months. There is no way in the world that would ever be available for use by PECO in a timely manner. It is for use here, and if we in Bucks County bave anything to say about it, it won't be in use at all.

Philadelphia Electric has also recently made a request to the Delaware River Basin Commission to allow it to use the Blue Marsh Reservoir. TKat, in conjunction with removing the 59 degree temperature limitation on withdrawals from the Schuylkill River are part of the proposal that PECO has apparently looked into at this point.

This proposal as well has not been approved. There is no approved source of cooling water for full-power operation of these two units. How can an operating license even be considered for any facility that does not have an assured source of water to cool reactors once they are put into operation?

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The second reason for not issuing an operating license for this facility is a reason that should be taken into consideration for any facility, not just Limerick facility. And that is that there is no safe method for disposal of waste products.

As currently proposed, this site will become a highly radioactive nuclear waste dump. All the spent nuclear fuel will be stored in what amounts to an oversized swimming pool on the site for probably the entire 30-year lifetime of the plant. And after the plant is decommissioned, ifit lasts 30 years, which many of us have serious doubts, what will happen to the nuclear waste that is stored in those pools?

Who is going to take responsibility for them?
Who will dispose of them?

Who will clean up the mess afterwards?

I think we have got a pretty good record of what happens to what is considered communcial pollution once a company no longer has a need for it. That's why we have the Superfund right now.

Those companies -- and I believe PECO will become one of them -- will simply walk away from the problem when it gets too expensive to handle. And then the rest of us will be here to worry about it and take care of cleaning it up.

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A third item, and this again is as it impacts on Bucks County, is the evacuation plan. I have studied several drafts of the evacuation plan for Bucks County and it is ridiculous. There are individuals and organizations listed as participants in that plan who, first of all, do not even know they are participants. Secondly, many of them do not even know what their responsibilities are or what their duties will be in the event of an accident and an evacuation.

There are so many unanswered questions or even unaddressed questions within Buck County's evacuation plan and portion of the evacuation plan, it is extremely doubtful whether anything more than pandemonium would result in the event of a major evacuation.

Who, then, will take responsibility for the citizens of Buck's County and the citizens of the surrounding Counties who are supposed to come to Buck's County in the event of an evacuation?

Who will pick up the costs of that evacuation?

Who is going to care for those people while they

are away from their homes?

In a major evacuation, even Philadelphia Electric Company doesn't have enough money to do that. Once again we will be saddled with the costs.

I think there are three very good reasons that there should not be an operating license issued for this

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facility, and I think they have got a lot of work to do before one is even considered.

(Applause.)

JUDGE HOYT: Gloria Gaynor?

STATEMENT OF GLORIA GAYNOR

MS. GAYNOR: I'd like to read a petition that my husband and I drew up last night.

To Judge Helen Hoyt.

"We, the faculty and staff of Woodland Elementary School in Methacton School District, have some concerns regarding our role if a radiological accident occ rs at the Limerick Generating Station. It seems to be assumed by the Philadelphia Electric Company and the State and Federal Emergency Management Agencies, that in the event of such an accident teachers and staff would remain with their students until released.

Our primary resonsibility is naturally to our own families in such an emergency. We are also not familiar with our district's evacuation plan. Therefore, the assumption that we will respond in a certain manner may be misleading to parents of schoolage children as well as potentially dangerous.

My concern, because I am a Spring Uity resident as well as a teacher, is that if an accident occurs, I want to be with my family. I want to get my family away as soon as

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I can. And, I think that these organizations have no right to assume that teachers will follow certain guidelines.

I think that it is very important that
evacuation plans not only be formulated, but I think there
has to be without reasonable doubt, that those plans will
ake place. Right now I question that.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you.

(Applause.)

Before we go on, I have been handed a petition from this witness, which I will direct the reporter to insert in the record at this point. This is a two-page document dated November 15, 1984 with two groups of signatures.

(Petition follows.)

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JUDGE HOYT: Mr. Fremont Keim.

STATEMENT OF FREMONT KEIM

MR. KEIM: I think there is a primary concern for every citizen of the close proximity. ANd what I mean by that, not only the ten miles, but the closer, the one mile, the two and the three miles, and that would be in the event of a mishap.

Now, from previous experiences such as TMI, we know that little mishaps might be big mishaps that are misleading.

Therefore, I would say that the system that they have right now -- and that is the siren system -- is very inadequate.

For example, I live at 1784 Kepler Road. It is on Ringing Hill, Pottstown District. We are about one mile in a straight line from this atomic plant. Aed, only once did we hear test sirens, once.

Now, when they installed that grid of sirens, did they take into account that in summer there is heavy mist on the trees. You know that does the same thing as a hedge fence, and does your front yard by the road. It muffles sound. That is why people plant hedge fences.

Did they take that into account? Did they take wind drift into account

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hearing was going bad and I have been known to have very acute hearing, very acute and I have only heard them once and that was the first test that they had made and probably the wind drift was the right way.

Now I have asked neighbors, I thought maybe my

The closest sirens that we have in our district is, I believe, is over the hill and the hill, itself can muffle that. People are saying, "Get out of my woods, get out of my field, get out of my yard, I don't want a siren up there. Well, they are fooling themselves.

I think there should be more sirens for alerting people because that is the first thing you would hear. You are not sitting by your radio. You are not sitting by your TV waiting for something to happen. That is foolishness. When that does happen, if and Lord hope it never does, then why is it that it is left to the Pottstown Mercury to inform us? Do you know many times in the print things are misleading? They don't set the type quite right. They get something wrong. How do we know that what we read in the Mercury is the truth about evacuation and about sirens, about the type of siren signals?

That goes back to the days in the 1940's when we had air raid sirens. What I think is a publication should come from PE or even from the NRC setting down the type of siren signals, what each one means and what to do in response to it.

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Let them even list the radio stations. I don't know if civil defense is in on this or not but there are civil defense stations. A lot of radios are not marked for that.

When that goes off, people are going not to just panic, I wouldn't say that, but they are going to be a little bit high strung and nervous about it and are they going to do the right thing at the right time?

As far as evacuation goes, it begins to look to me like in this district that we have here so heavily populated, it is like trying to empty a 55-gallon tank of water in through a half inch funnel. Do you know how long that takes?

The other thing is that besides not hearing these sirens where I live, I am interested, I am concerned about evacuation of our schools. Does PE and do vou fol! 3 realize that the school buses that are owned by any particular school district makes several trips back and forth and sometimes those trips take anywhere from 30 minutes to an ! our or more. In an evacuation, do they have enough buses where they can say, "Come on kids. Load up. Jump in there." Or are they going to have to make double and triple trips. That is impossible.

How are they going to get all those kids out?

They aren't going to call their folks up and say, "Hey, come and get your child." They are going to have to have enough buses to get them out at the instant that some serious alert is on the air that is known about it. That is what

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evacuation is all about.

I still think it would be very nice if a leaflet to each citizen could be handed out, mailed and in fact, it should even be a card you could put in your pocket or your wallet so you have it with you because it is going to be, let's say, the wife at home, the kids at school, the husband at work and the best thing to do is each go your own way and meet later, three days, three weeks, who cares. But how is that possible if there is that thought up here, "Oh, gee, what do I do, when do I do it?" These things, I think, are very pertinent and should be attended to.

Thank you.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you, sir.

(Applause.)

JUDGE HOYT: Philip A. Thees, please.

STATEMENT OF PHILIP A. THEES

MR. THEES: Thank you for the time. I will watch my time. I would like to point out a few things that I have observed. First of all, I have lived in Pottstown my entire life and our family has lived here, one side three generations and the other side, four generations. So we know where we are at.

We know every street, every road like you know the back of your hand. I have attended, not every, but a couple of these evacuation meetings that were held. All I can say is

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they are a joke and I am very, very serious in this.

Do the people realize that Montgomery County and I know that we are not talking about all of Montgomery County being evacuated at first, but if you take into consideration Northern Chester County and Western Burkes and possibly part of Bucks, it would probably come out close to the same population as all of Montgomery County. All of Montgomery County has more people than nine states inthe union from what I understood ten years ago.

Now if you consider trying to evacuate a town or a few townships, that is one thing, but to evacuate the population of an entire state in such a small area. As far as the roads go route 23, that is one that goes over there by Buck County, there are at Route 23 and 100. Owen J. Roberts high school is right there.

Just forget it! Between the buses and there aren't enough of them as the previous man made reference to and the people if it is in the school year with the buses, it is impossible. There would be such a congestion. These roads were built in the 18th century. Route 23 was at any rate. Basically it is the same width as it was when it was built. Route 100, there is gets narrow.

As far as route 724, I live at a spot where I could take 724 or 422. It is insane. The people will be coming out of their homes into their machines and they will get onto the

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Dederat Reporters, Inc. main roads and it will be a jam even with orderliness, with the police doing their job and the people cooperating to the best of their ability. I am not exaggerating. I have also heard tell of some of our local police and I won't name the town or the township, but some of our local police who have told them already, "When this thing goes, don't count on me."

If that is the attitude of the police which I can't blame them, what is going to happen? They are not cowards. They fare death to protect its citizens often with armed robberies and so forth but the thought of they, themselves, or their families suffering for years and years the after effects of this if there should be an accident. I don't blame them.

Also, I would like to take note of a couple of other things. The question of the water. We had a drought not this past summer just finished but the summer before and that was a pretty dry one. All through the 1960's when I was growing up, we had a whole decade of drought. So they can't even count on the water then in regular years. What can they do for a drought?

Also, the sirens don't work. They admitted it on the local ratio station just today, WPAZ. They had a test last week. Two of the sirens didn't work at all in Burkes County and one of them went off full blast over in Boyertown which is about seven miles where I live and I happened to be outside at that time doing some work on my house and I could faintly

hear the siren and I said, "Oh, my, is this Limerick?" But none of the other sirens went off or I didn't pay attention and then the dogs started howling and I said that this is just what they did last summer when I heard it. I am sure there were people who didn't.

So I went inside and found out that it was a false alarm. I called up the local police station. How many times are we going to experience the "wolf/wolf" and then one day not pay attention to it until it is too late.

There is one other thing that I would like to point out. About six months after my grandmother passed away in 1983, in July, I received a letter in the mail on how we are going to evacuate the elderly. She was bed-ridden the last year of her life and we kept her at home. The way they talked, how are you going to move these people and they said that we are going to move them with ambulances and with the help of the undertakers with their hearses. Not every undertaker in Pottstown even owns a hearse. They borrow it from each other.

Just from common sense, this is just insanity and as far as the Nuclear Regulatory Commission that is pushing this licensing, it is kind of like the fox being allowed to inspect the hen house.

(Applause.)

MA. THEES: Finally, I would like to direct a question

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to the Commonwealth. The Commonwealth is supposed to look after the people's interest in this state against the federal government. Oh my, I am against the federal government. The State is supposed to protect the people and I have not seen where the State has done anything against the fiasco that the federal government has allowed to go on and is still going on out at Three Mile Island.

(Applause.)

MR. THEES: Back to the main point, the main point is the evacuation plan will not work as it is now. That is certain. They are a joke and to the best of my knowledge the County old age home, Montgomery County Geriatric Center, it used to be called Charles Johnson home, down here, they haven't even received word on how to move those people. There are several hundred people there.

JUDGE HOYT: Excuse me. You are at eight minutes We will have to call your time.

MR. THEES: I am sorry. Thank you for your time.

(Applause.)

JUDGE HOYT: Dave Dietz.

(No response.)

JUDGE HOYT: . will call the name once and if you don't hear it, then I am sorry. Mrs. Helen Mackewicz.

SPEAKER FROM THE FLOOR: Excuse me. This was supposed to be a presentation from the public and your comments

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in that light are not helping the situation at all.

(Applause.)

JUDGE HOYT: It is your time.

SPEAKER FROM THE FLOOR: Excuse me. I am hard of hearing and when my name is called, I would like it called loudly and more than once. Thank you.

JUDGE HARBOUR: What is your name, ma'am, and we will point to you.

SPEAKER FROM THE FLOOR: My name is Margaret Dardis.

COMMENT FROM THE FLOOR: Just repeat the name.

JUDGE HOYT: It is difficult to hear over the applause and there is no way to keep the time going. What is your name again, ma'am?

MS. DARDIS: I thought we weren't saying names twice.

(Applause.)

JUDGE HOYT: Very well. You better go ahead.
STATEMENT OF HELEN MACKEWICZ

MS. MACKEWICZ: Judge Hoyt, Judge Harbour and Judge Cole, PECO representatives, Commonwealth representatives and fellow citizens, what precisely is the purpose of these hearings? God's rapture, my goodness, can a leopard change his spots? These housewifes and these mothers who were here this morning letting their little light shine for Limerick power plant, are these ordinary laymen? Is it not evidence even in these hearings as to whose purse strings are being

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held by PECO? What about the rest of us, the uninformed layman as the Limerick power plant information material refers to us?

This is out in the lobby here in the Information Center. They call us uninformed laymen. Is the purpose of these hearings to see if we are still alive? Well, we are.

Are these hearings programmed to pacify the public? PECO's Limerick Light ran this banner headline in their most recent edition, everyone had their say. Is that it? Is this to be the end also of these hearings? We know the name of the game. It is called M-O-N-E-Y.

(Applause.)

MS. MACKEWICZ: Big money! What can we do about it?

The experts to whom PECO would have us leave these matters

are shouting, "Peace and safety." The word of God in the

Bible tells me that when they shall say "peace and safety,"

sudden destruction. Time after time Moses said to the Pharaoh,

"Let My People Go." I say to PECO, I say to the Commonwealth,

I say to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, "Let the people go."

"Let the children go."

To the Nuclear Regulatory Commission I say, "Free us from the financial burden PECO is putting upon us. Free us from the calamity beyond imagination in the event of a nuclear accident here at Limerick." "Free us from emergency evacuation measures that will never be adequate for getting the people out

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To the PECO representatives, to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and in the sight and hearing of God, the God of Moses, I say, "Let the people go."

(Applause.)

JUDGE HOYT: Greg Dukes.

MR. DUKES: I would like to pass my time.

JUDGE HOYT: Very well. W. R. Whitlock.

STATT ENT OF W. R. WHITLOCK

MR. WHI . CK: My name is Dick Whitlock and I am the chairman of the board of supervisors of South Coventry

Township in Chester County. First of all, I am appalled at being here tonight. I think it is an appalling state when we have to come for what is supposed to be an impartial public hearing to the biggest propaganda center for the PE corporation.

(Applause.)

MR. WHITLOCK: I want my five minutes.

JUDGE HOYT: You will get exactly five, sir, to the second.

MR. WHITLOCK: I believe it. Second of all, I would like to ask the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and we wrote you a letter to this effect and have not had the common courtesy to have a response, why was South Conventry included in your response to the July 25th meeting as stating we did not participate in that function because South Coventry is anti-nuclear.

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That is a blatant misrepresentation of the facts. It is public knowledge that we have never made that statement, that we had said we are not against nuclear energy. We are not against the Limerick plant.

What we are against is being forced into something without the concern of the health and welfare of the people that we represent. We have not been given proper plans; plans have been presented to the state and to the Federal Government under South Coventry's name. They were not authorized to be done. Somebody did it.

Our concerns are the health and safety of our community. What we have seen from the operation of the executives and the workers of the PE Corporation, we cannot believe their credibility. We don't believe that they will give a credible reaction to an emergency here. Our plans have certainly not been forthright, and we rejected them.

Our concern is evacuation, the health and safety of our community, and who is going to pay the bill?

Number one, who is paying for this plan? Who is paying for the maintenance of this plan? Should a community of 1526 with a budget of \$30,000 a year have to pay the burden for a multimillion dollar operation so they can make more profit for their shareholders.

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Are you people, if you are going to approve this plant, are you going to pay for us? Are you going to pay for my livelihood? Are you going to pay for my homestead, if you approve this plant?

Thank you.

(Applause.)

JUDGE HOYT: Allen V. Renish, R-e-n-i-s-h.

John R. Layer.

VOICE: Just so too many people don't get overlooked, let's give her a chance to announce the next name and then we will give our applause.

VOICE: Was there one that was just announced while we were applauding?

JUDGE HOYT: Are you ready, sir?

MR. LAYER: I am ready.

VOICE: You seem to have missed somebody. That name that you spelled was completely different, the last name, than Layer.

JUDGE HOYT: Would you begin, sir, if you wish to make your statement?

VOICE: Judge, you should exercise justice.

1 Would you please repeat the name that you overlooked. 2 JUDGE HOYT: If you wish to make your statement, 3 sir, you can go ahead. VOICE: You are in contempt of the public, 5 ma'am. 6 (Applause.) 7 VOICE: You are in contempt of the public. 8 VOICE: I second that. 9 JUDGE HOYT: Are you ready, sir? If you 10 want to make your statement, go ahead. Otherwise we 11 will call another speaker? 12 Are you ready, sir? 13 MR. LAYER: My name is John R. Layer. 14 JUDGE HOYT: That is the one we asked and gave 15 the name to the reporter. 16 MR. LAYER: Was there a name mentioned before 17 my name? Did anybody hear what that name was? 18 VOICE: Yes or no, ma'am. Was there a name 19 missed? 20 VOICE: This gentleman was overlooked. 21 VOICE: I am hard of hearing, but I think my 22 name was mentioned. 23 MR. LAYER: If you wish to make a statement, 24 Mr. Layer, let's go ahead because time is fleeting. eral Reporters, Inc.

MR. LAYER: I would like to allow this

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gentleman to make his statement in my time, if his name was

JUDGE HOYT: You want to relinquish your

statement time, sir? Is that what you are trying to say?

John R. Layer, do you wish to make your

statement, sir?

VOICE: I will give five minutes to whoever doesn't get to speak, since I relinquished my time.

JUDGE HOYT: To you wish to go ahead, sir?

Very well. We will just wait till you begin.

Otherwise your time is running, sir.

VOICE: You are getting paid for this.

STATEMENT OF JON R. LAYER

MR. LAYER: This is a public hearing. There are no public hearings in Russia. There are no public hearings in China. There are no public hearings in Argentina.

VOICE: Barely one in this room.

MR. LAYER: And there are no public hearings in El Salvadore. This is still America, and we still have public hearings and public hearings are for the public.

And we are the public. I am not an important person.

I am a school bus driver. I am a resident of Marlborough Township in Montgomery County.

My school district is listed as one of three to make bus assignments at the time of an actual

emergency, Upper Perkiomen.

Orderal Reporters, Inc. I have never heard any word of instructions
as to what I would do as a bus driver in the event of
a radiological emergency. I have no idea where a mass
care center would be, how many mass care centers there
are or even if there is such a place as a mass care center.

There are eight school districts that have preassigned vehicles -- Boyertown, Phoenixville, Daniel Boone, Methacton, Perkiomen Valley, Pottsgrove, Pottstown, and Spring Ford. I question how many of those bus drivers have ever received one word of information about what they would do in the event of a radiological emergency, what their role would be as a school bus driver.

That is all I have to say.

Thank you

JUDGE HOYT: Mrs. Beverly Ritter, R-i-t-t-e-r.

(Applause.)

STATEMENT OF BETTY RITTER

MRS. RITTER: I am a member of the school board of the Boyertown School District. We have had one meeting about the evacuation plans. It took exactly one half an hour. That is all we needed to know the plan was totally unworkable.

I am responsible for 5,000 children. That is a big responsibility. I am a monther of three children

Pederal Reporters Inc. so I know what it means to be responsible. But did you ever think of being responsible for 5,000 children.

We have ten schools, just public schools, in

100 mile radius, plus private schools, handicapped schools,
day care centers, nursery schools. We don't have
enough busses.

Our busses are contracted. We don't have any agreement that these school bus drivers will be there when we need them. It takes hours to get bus drivers if we have to change a schedule. If this happens in the middle of winter and we have snow and we have ice on the roads, how are we going to get busses in to get our children out?

We are supposed to go up Route 73 to Kutztown.

Did anybody ever try 73 on a snowy day? Even try it on
a good day. But imagine with busses running up that in
bad weather of any kind. And these bus drivers don't
all live in Boyertown, just as our teachers don't all live
in Boyertown. We have no agreement with our teachers
that they are going to stay with these children, that
they are going to ride the busses up to Kutztown, that
they are going to be responsible for these children for the
amount of time it is going to take.

Some of them live in Collegeville, and they work in Boyertown. They live in Exeter and they work in

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Boyertown. We don't have an agreement that they are going to neglect their families and stay with our school children, and we can't expect that of a person.

As the other speakers have said, we have so many unknowns. We don't know how we are going to get these busses out. We have no way of keeping parents from coming to the schools to pick up their children. We can't forbid them to do that.

Have you ever sat at an elementary school when parents come to pick up their children and the cars just pour in? 600 children at an elementary school, and how many of those parents are going to stay home or leave on their own and let their children go on busses?

We are going to have a mob scene at our schools of people trying to get to their children.

I heard a councilperson in Boyertown, when I was in on this drill that we had, and one of the council people said, "I told my children, if there is any kind of a problem, they are to beat it for home and I am getting my four-wheel-drive vehicle out and if anybody tries to stop me, they are going to have Cherokee tracks up their front and down their back." Okay. That is one of cur council people.

And he said, "The first guy you see the back of running up 73 will be one of our policemen." And we are

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going to count on our school bus drivers that don't even live in our area or teachers who don't even live in our area? And we are going to put the responsibility of 5,000 children on the line like this? We don't know where to dispose of the waste.

As he says, Limerick will be another toxic dump. We don't know where we are going to get water from. We often have droughts.

There are so many unknowns and so few knowns that it scares the living daylights out of me.

And I hear little kids talk about they want to get up petitions and their mothers say, what for? And they say, well, what happens if the Limerick plant melts down.

Sixth graders know that it melts down; it doesn't blow up.

Our children shouldn't have to have this kind of a responsibility. They shouldn't have to go to bed at night worried about what is going to happen if the Limerick plant melts down.

I think it is just a crime that people have to be put under this kind of suffering, this kind of mental anguish. It has never been evaluated at TMI how much destruction has been done to those families for what they went through. What do we need before people realize that the important thing is the people, not the money, not the power. We can conserve energy. It has

been proven. We have done it.

But when you talk about people, about 5,000 children in ten buildings in a hundred mile radius and you tell me seriously we can evacuate them in a matter of hours, I tell you, as the whole Boyertown Area School Board of Directors said, it is totally unworkable.

The evacuation plan we have is not worth this paper that it is printed on, and this is draft four as of October 9, 1984. And this is unworkable. We have not seen one that is workable.

Our money has gone into this. Nobody has reimbursed our people who have tried to work on these plans, who have tried to inform our bus drivers, our cafeteria workers, our teachers. We have not been reimbursed for all that money that we have put into this. But we care about the children, and I would like to see that our government cares as much for our children as we do.

My son had a tour of TMI back in 1972 as one of the advanced chemistry groups at Boyertown High School, and the last thing they said to that entire tour group was, "An accident can never happen here."

(Applause.)

JUDGE HOYT: Carol Ann Pearl.
STATEMENT OF CAROL ANN PEARL

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MS. PEARL: My name is Carol Ann Pearl, and
I am a resident of Marlborough Township in Montgomery
County. I live about ten and a half miles from Limerick,
and about one quarter of Marlborough Township is included
in the ten-mile radius. The other three quarters is not
involved in any evacuation planning at all.

I have recently been involved in talking to 210 other Marlborough Township residents who also live outside of the ten-mile radius. Out of these 210 people, 204 signed a petition requesting that the entire township be included in the emergency evacuation planning.

These people all plan to evacuate in the event of an accident. Many of these people require special assistance. The ten-mile radius is a line that someone drew on a map, but we all know that radiation knows no boundaries.

In the event of an accident, our entire township will be blanketed with radiation. There are many elderly people who can't drive, mothers of young children who don't have access to cars during the day, handicapped people, et cetera, who live in this area. What will happen to these people when an accident occurs?

I feel that the ten-mile radius is a number that was picked out of the air and it should be enlarged to at least 25 miles.

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The safety of county residents should be put above the convenience of Philadelphia Electric and township supervisors who don't want to acknowledge the fact that ten miles is a bad joke.

about people, they will require that the evacuation zone be enlarged to include at least 25 miles. I wish to present this petition to you at this time and to tell you that everyone that signed this petition is someone's mother or father or baby, and they all deserve as much respect as anyone else in this township.

I hope that you will take their feelings into consideration.

Thank you.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you.

The statement submitted by the previous witness,

"We the residents of Marlborough Township, et cetera,

will be attached to the record and inserted in the

transcript at this point.

(Insert follows.)

WE THE RESIDENTS OF MARLBOROUGH TOWNSHIP, WHO DO NOT LIVE WITHIN THE OFFICIAL EMERGENCY PLANNING ZONE (10 MILE RADIUS) OF THE LIMERICK NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION, HEREBY REQUEST THAT THE TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS INCLUDE THE ENTIRE TOWNSHIP IN THE EMERGENCY EVACUATION PLANNING FOR MARLBOROUGH TOWNSHIP. WE ASK THIS IN CONSIDERATION OF THE FACT THAT LOCAL CAMPS THROUGHOUT THE TOWNSHIP ARE BEING INCLUDED IN SAID EMERGENCY EVACUATION PLANS, AND WE FEEL THAT THE SAME NOTIFICATION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO FULL-TIME TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS.

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JUDGE HOYT: Our next speaker is Barry Friedman, F-r-i-e-d-m-a-n.

STATEMENT OF BARRY FRIEDMAN

MR. FRIEDMAN: I am not quite sure, are we allowed to ask simple questions to this Board?

JUDGE HOYT: I think in the interest and in the interest of the announcement that we made in the beginning to the hearing, Mr. Friedman, we will not respond to any questions.

MR. FRIEDMAN: I was sort of wondering why this building was picked today because there is people standing. In the original building that was --

JUDGE HOYT: There are three seats over here and two here. If there are five members that would like to come down, if the people who have their coats on that one over there would remove them, we could also --

VOICE: We are wasting time.

MR. FRIEDMAN: Well, three people/five people,
I mean, originally the building that was ordered or
requested for this hearing, you know, seated three
times this size.

JUDGE HOYT: It seated 100 people, sir, which is precisely the amount of chairs that we have in this room.

MR. FRIEDMAN: One of my suggestions is that, as

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you can see the concern of the people of this area is a little more than 100. So the next time you have a hearing, which hopefully will be soon, it will be a lot larger.

Now to my statement, I guess. I will just go down the list.

Concerning ambulances, there was a gentleman here earlier saying his township ambulance corps could cover all the residents. From what I have been told, the NRC regulations say that ambulances can be used once and then totally scrubbed down. Now, I have never seen any time frame estimates in any of the evacuation plans to say how long this scrub down takes so the ambulance can be reused.

Considering that there aren't enough ambulances in probably the ten-mile radius to empty the Pottstown Hospital, let alone all these small nursing homes that are in the area, it should definitely be taken into consideration, even though FEMA people say, well, we will just get them elsewhere. Where are you going to get them elsewhere and the drivers and the bus drivers earlier? It is just baffling.

Concerning the schools, the Upper Perkiomen

High School school board was asked how they prepared

their plan because the plan submitted to FEMA and the N RC,

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whoever else gets it, had "prepared by Upper Perkiomen High School" on the cover.

When asked if they had prepared it, the answer was no. And Dr. Persing, the superintendent, said that basically they had just submitted names to fill in some of the blanks.

Now, concerning sirens, the power for the sirens is not controlled by PE which is -- they are saying, our sirens will work. They have two other utility companies sending power to their sirens. If PE can guarantee power from these other two companies, that is one thing. But very unlikely.

Concerning ambulances in my neighborhood, which is also Marlborough Township, which is basically north on the map, next to Greenlane. There is two ambulances in the Greenlane ambulance corps. It also has to cover Greenlane Borough, Marlborough Township, and Upper Frederick Township.

The ambulances for Upper Frederick would have to go against the flow, which is a small two-lane road even smaller than the one that is outside this building. So any volunteer in an ambulance trying to buck that traffic is going to have a lot of trouble, just to put it simply.

Now, concerning the drill that they had back on the

25th, I am not going to say exactly half, but approximately half of the volunteers, plus or minus, who participated in this drill -- one of the members in my township is the assistant management coordinator -- was told to

volunteer by their employer. This employer was PE.

Now, if enough volunteers can't be found, how can PE just say, you will get the volunteers because we will tell our -- any resident that lives in your township that they are a volunteer?

The one volunteer that did come about from this -
I don't know if it was a mandate or threats or whatever,

because I am not a PE employee -- he has been fighting

the entire township.

While I am on the subject, Limerick Ecology Action, why aren't they at one of these tables? They are intervenors. You have the State. You have the NRC.

PECO has its own table with a bank of lawyers behind them. Where is LEA? They are a legal intervenor and they are not -- there is not even a space for them.

Is that what you consider the public, back in the corner somewhere? I mean, these statements are going to be written, typed and put in some file. But where will they be going? Who will listen to them after they leave this room, if I may ask a short question?

JUDGE COLE: I don't want to let that go by.

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I don't think it is reasonable to say that LEA didn't have an opportunity to be up here in front with all the rest of the parties in this proceeding. They had that opportunity.

JUDGE HOYT: They are represented here, and their vice chairman is in the rear of the room there.

Do you have anything else, sir? Your time is up.

MR. FRIEDMAN: Yes. The hearings.

JUDGE HOYT: We will give you 30 seconds.

MR. FRIEDMAN: No problem.

The public deserves advance notice on public hearings. Now, there was plenty of public notice of the time and the date of this meeting, but the place has been changed three times.

I think it is inexcusable, basically, to chase after the hearing Board. Where are they going to meet?

If a meeting is set up, it should be there. It shouldn't be changed three times.

I realize my 30 seconds is up, but when is the next hearing going to be, and can we be guaranteed it is going to be there or is it just, well, let's change it, everybody knows where it's at, let's keep them guessing?

I mean, I have been coming to these hearings for several years now, and basically the night before you have

to find out where they are at.

JUDGE HOYT: Anything else, sir?

MR. FRIEDMAN: No.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you.

We have another speaker, Bonnie McCormick.

(Applause.)

STATEMENT OF BONNIE MC CORMICK

MS. MC CORMICK: I will be giving formal testimony next week concerning the evacuation. I thought long and hard about ising time for informal comments that you said as citizens you are interested in how we feel and what we think. So tonight I am here representing my family, the McCormick family. We live in Valley Forge.

I know you have heard it all -- facts, figures.

You have heard it from articulate speakers. You have heard it from people with a great deal of emotion, professional people, families. I am not a public speaker. I would almost rather do anything than what I am doing right this second.

Knowing that you have heard everything and knowing that you have heard the facts and so many individuals have stood before you, I thought, well, really, what can I say that you haven't already heard.

I have given testimony before panels and before judges in the last five or six years, and quite often they

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rs, Inc. dose off or their eyes get glazed. It seems to be often an exercise in futility that some regulation said it had to be done or some official requirement.

I questioned whether I would have anything at all that I could say to you that would make a difference. When Limerick sets on a land fault that every so often we have tremors on it that is registered and I am not a geologist, but those are all in the records. That wouldn't exactly impress you since you have just got finished okaying Diablo Canyon.

However, we live in an area that covers 3.8 million people, and you are here to talk about evacuation.

The woman with the 5,000 children that she is responsible for spoke of unknowns, so many unknowns, so many unknowns that we don't know about. Tonight I would like to talk about what is known.

There was a gentleman who referred to the dictionary. I wanted to be very certain when I came tonight. I was going through some Nuclear Regulatory fliers that I am sent that have to do with public notice on events, and I looked at the heading, and I thought, United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

And I wasn't really sure exactly what that means.

I know what United States means. I am a United States citizen. And like one gentleman said, if I

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were not, I probably couldn't have done and said some of the things I have done and said in the last six years. Thank God I am.

However, nuclear -- I am not an expert on nuclear either, but I don't have to be an expert to be afraid of something that I know is really very harmful.

I looked up "regulatory," and the old dictionary says, "To govern or direct according to rule; to control; to bring under the control of law or authority." So you do have control over the McCormick family.

Now, commission, "A warrant granting certain powers and imposing certain duties; authority to act as an agent for another; a body of persons charged with performing a duty." So you are not only an authority, but you are my agent.

The people that I voted for, or maybe I didn't vote for them, in turn, gave you the jobs that you have today. So you work for the McCormick family.

One of your own studies was prepared by the Oak Ridge National Laboratory. It indicated that the Limerick plant that is being constructed in Montgomery County would fail under all the criteria used in the Oak Ridge study. But we knew that.

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rs, Inc. The Salem plant, which has been down far more than it has been up, you have a Mr. Merly who has agreed and chided the officials for not being aggressive enough in the NRC, were not aggressive enough in monitoring the plant. He chided them. I didn't look up the word "chide," but it is a very light word. It is not anything terribly heavy.

I think we would prefer you were a little
more aggressive in seeking out problems before they
become real trouble. This is a gentleman from the
NRC. "Despite the critical role it plays in assuring
the health and safety of millions of Americans, the
Nuclear Regulatory Commission has an abysmal record
of conducting its business behind closed doors. That
practice recently was condemned by U.S. Appeals Court
in a case involving the Three Mile Island Nuclear
Flant. If the Commission chooses to do so, it would
represent yet another example of the NRC's outright
contempt for the public's best interest."

It pains me to tell you how I feel, that these words are right.

JUDGE HOYT: Ma'am, you are two minutes over your time. Are you about through?

MS. MC CORMICK: I am not through.

Despite what some members of the NRC may think,

nuclear power does not need boosters and promoters.

It needs serious and scrupulous regulation.

One only need look back at Three Mile Island to see the dangers of mistaxing the nature of the NRC's job.

I think what I am saying tonight is, I am very angry at the NRC.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you, ma'am.

MS. MC CORMICK: I would like to add this, which I hadn't planned on saying, but I have to say this also.

JUDGE HOYT: Ma'am, we do have a large number of speakers. Will you please allow them to have an opportunity.

MS. MC CORMICK: Of course.

Holding the meeting in this room, in this geographical area is, to put it mildly, the worst of bad taste.

I would like to say directly to Judge Hoyt that your hostility tonight only tells me of the pandering that the NRC is doing to the industry.

(Applause.)

JUDGE HOYT: Marlene Seidts.

STATEMENT OF MARLENE SEIDTS

MS. SEIDTS: Thank you for being here tonight.

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to change a place to have a hearing. I only hope that you can be flexible enough to respect our views and opinions as far as the Limerick Nuclear Power Plant is concerned.

I am really glad to see that you can be flexible enough

I have been involved in the struggle with Limerick for the last five years. I have been involved in emergency response plans in our school district where we have talked to the highest level of PEMA and still do not have enough busses to evacuate our children.

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This deeply concerns me. I feel as far as the evacuation plan is concerned, any plan within the ten-mile radius taken by itself, could be carried out, any single plan.

If Owen J. Roberts School district were evacuating their children and no other school district or other township or municipality was involved, it could be done. But not -- of the total number of municipalities and school districts that are involved, not with this system of roads that we have, of the leads that the town estimates, are totally ridiculous, the town estimates for an evacuation of this area.

I have been traveling one mile from my house during an ice storm, approximately a mile. It took me one half hour to go and come back in an ice storm. Ice storms can be very, very frequent in this area.

One of the recommendations that I feel has not been given enough attention in this is the sheltering recommendation. And I question that.

I question people in the Bureau of Radiation

Protection in Pennsylvania. Essentially the answer is
sheltering is be-ter than nothing. That is not a reasonable assurance that this is an effective emergency response plan.

When someone is being tried, the jury is given the order that they are to be convicted beyond a reasonable doubt. I understand there almost has to be a reasonable

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assurance that an emergency plan will work. I believe that it should be able to work beyond a reasonable doubt, and there are many, many unreasonable doubts.

Thank you very much.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you.

The next speaker is Tom Bissinger.

STATEMENT OF TOM BISSINGER:

(Applause.)

MR. BISSINGER: My name is Tom Bissinger. I live in Warwick Township within the EPZ. My two children attend school in East Vincent Township, and my wife teaches in the Downeytown School District. I work in Warwick Township, and am not an employee of Philadelphia Electric Xompany, nor do I hold any stock in the company.

I am a member of the Warwick Township task force appointed by the supervisors to study the evacuation plans and work in conjunction with the Emergency Management Officer to assist in implementing the plans.

Concerned citizens of the Township have had meetings over the past year to study these plans. Our investigations in conjunction with the Emergency Management Officer, have led to the conclusion that the plans were general and nonspecific so as to render them impractical and in effect useless.

The Emergency Management Coordinator stated that

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the chain of command was unclear. Was it the municipality, the county, the state police, FEMA who would ultimately direct operations, and who would fund the equipment and the updating of the equipment and who would volunteer to support a 24-hour operation of a radiological emergency.

We held a well-attended public meeting. Philadelphia Electric was invited, and declined to attend. They were invited to other meetings and didn't attend.

At the time of the drill on July 25th, Warwick Township supervisors declined to take part in the drill, citing lack of volunteers and the unworkability of the plan. Then something very strange happened. One of the supervisors received a call that said that there were people who wanted to take part in the drill and would make legal trouble for the supervisors if they did not take part in a drill.

Of course, the supervisors saw the wisdom of these remarks and the township did take part in the drill. But, who ookt part in this drill, aside from the supervisors, Supervisor Peachy and Supervisor Ewing and Mrs. Ewing, the rest of the staff was Philadelphia Electric employees.

Now, why were they there? They had never come to Township meetings, ever. But, all of a sudden they were very interested in the health and safety of our Township.

Now we have discussed this drill at subsequent Township meetings, and there is still dissatisfaction with

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the drill. No one is happy with it.

And there was a solicitation on Election Day, on November 6th, to get more volunteers to help out with the plan as agreed to in a previous Township meeting. We did not get any volunteers for this plan. We got no volunteers for this plan.

Now, in our Township, Warwick Township, people are not necessarily antinuclear, not at all. But, they do not believe in this plan's implementability.

They believe they will bestuck with paying to maintain and upgrade the equipment, and I have no assurances that as with letters of agreement, that anybody will be there to help if an accident occurs. My family comes first is what is said not only in this Township but elsewhere.

As an editor of the Schuylkill Bugle, the local newspapers that presents an alternative to Philadelphia Electric's nespaper, the Limerick Light, I covered many of the areas in the EPZ and received data from all the Township observes of the July 25 drill. The findings were these:

Ie was a paper drill; all the participants knew in advance when it was to happen, so how could that be a test of readiness and response. It was a first rehearsal.

Some of the actors showed up and were given parts; a few knew their lines. They were the 200-plus Philadelphia Electric employees who took part in the drill. Why not? It

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is their jobs, it is in their interest.

In fact, a memo from Philadelphia Electric Company suggested to its employees that they get involved. The point is while PE is supplying the volunteers for an emergency draft plan that they paid for, the citizens whose very lives are at stake, stood back and watched. Not because we don't volunteer, but because we care. This isn't a play, we can't act out a bogus exercise when schools, nursing homes, prisons, hospitals, animals, livestock and the general population are not involved.

So, I have suggested, and I suggest to you, let's have a complete evacuation, let's evacuate the people in the EPZMin a real drill, the same as we would in a school.

Carl Abraham of the NRC said to me, "This drill is not intended to be a test of moving people. You can't risk lives to have a full drill."

Chairperson Hoyt, Drs. Harbour and Cole, what are our acceptable losses in a real evacuation? How many deaths by evacuation are permissible?

It is a Catch 22 situation. You can't evacuate people in a drill because people will be killed; you must evacuate in a real accident so you won't be killed, but you might be killed fleeing what will kill you.

Why? Why do we, the people who live in this tenmile zone, have to formulate responses to death threats over

which we have no say, have to foot the bill for the plan, and if Limerick goes on line, have to live with the waste for who knows how long.

Why?

Commissioners of the NRC, why is it all our lives are being regulated. The nuclear part of the regulating is just fine as far as I can see. Here is our meeting in the Philadelphia Electric Company's offices. Our meeting, the public's, who pays your salary, who pays Philadelphia Electric's salary, yes our public meeting, why is it being held in the company store on, I think it is safe to say, a moment's notice.

Now, I am sure that if you had placed a call to Phyliss Zitzer, Madam Chairperson, she would have found you accommodations with a neighborhood family, or at one of the fine inns in our neighborhood, and sincerely hoe perhaps next time you will accept our hospitality.

I visited the nuclear plant two weeks ago on a tour. It is impressive, very impressive. But there is a huge gap between the giant reactor and the giant population in this EPZ, a gap between a plant sponsored and paid for by Philadelphia Electric, and the reality of townships who have not approved the plans, and who won't approve the plans as they stand.

I know that those inside the plant are not concerned

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with those outside the plant. They want their baby to go on line, and we want our babies to live and to live free from fear, incompetence and half plans.

Commissioners, the people talking to you tonight are experts like yourselves, except they are experts of their own lives. Listen and respect these people and do not license this or any plant until you have assurances from these people who know this area, that a reasonable and effective evacuation plan is in order. Then you will have done your job.

Tbank you for listening.

(Applause.)

JUDGE HOYT: Peter Tinsman?

(Applause)

STATEMENT OF PETER TINSMAN

JUDGE HOYT: You have five minutes.

MR. TINSMAN: Don't let me go for a second extra, because I will try it.

I would like to talk to you a little bit about the reason for having a plan that worked.

There have been a lot of people that complain about the problems with the plan. According to the Final Environmental Statement relating to the operation of the Limerick Generating Station Units 1 and 2, NUREG-0974, PP5-116-5-124, Limerick is the second most dangerous nuclear power plant in the United States of America.

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All during the Licensing procedure for the last five years, Limerick Ecology Action has tried to force the Regulatory Commission to abide by the law, which requires, according to the National Environmental Policy Act, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the Council on Mavironmental Quality and everybody else that has anything to do with them, these plants are required by law to be as safe as is known possible.

The reason this plant is so -- one of the main reasons this plant is so dangerous, is because underneath hetreactor there is a pool of water that is approximately 50 feet in diameter, and somewhere betwen 12 and 16 feet deep.

Now, in order to contain the radiation in this thing and to keep it from getting into the environment, there is a concrete tomb over there that has that water in it.

Now, anybody that has a pressure cooker knows that little thing on the top of it has to jiggle or you are in trouble. If it doesn't, the lid will blow off.

TXere is a slight mistake with your sixth graders. The most likely accident is an explosion, no a meltdown.

There are several items which the Nuclear Regulatory Commission Staff has studied, using Limerick as the model to make that particular design reactor safer.

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porters, Inc. is a core catcher which is supposed to keep it from melting out of the containment vessel and going down into 'is pool of water to cause it to blow up. That is not in there.

The Staff has beer studying it, the NRC has refused to accept LEA's contention that it be officially even considered in this plant. It has not been even considered. That is all they are arguing for is consideration.

The pool of water in the bottom of the plant is cooled off by outside means. There are heat exchangers in it. The Staff has studied making that cooling system redundant.

LEA has asked that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission consider that redundant cooling so that that water can be kept under control so that it doesn't turn into hyperactive steam and escape.

They refused to consider it.

We need a workable plan.

There is something else called vacuum breaking, which I don't have any idea what it means. The NRC has -- the Staff has studied it concerning Limerick. The NRC, the Board has refused to consider it.

There is a filtered venting system the little thing that jiggles on the top of the pressure cooker, so they can relieve the pressure.

The Staff has studied it concerning Limerick. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission Board has refused to even

consider it.

Now there again, this stuff is required by law,

The National Environmental Policy Act and these other things
that I mentioned.

If there are any reporters in here, I would like to give you a fellow's name and telephone number. He has done some incredible work, and this needs to get to everybody's eyes, so that this plan is made workable. Charles Elliott. His telephone number is 215/258-2374

He is Limerick Ecology Action's lawyer, who has presented this case concerning safety before the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Now that sums up pretty much what I have to say. I just have one more recommendation to make to Mr. Palladino who is the head of this 3500-member Nuclear Regulatory Commission panel.

One of my brothers has a profession. To works for a fellow named Irvin Feld, Jr. They have a perfect situation where I think the Nuclear Regulatory Commission should consider some of their finer stunts for the last 12 or 15 years, and talk to him about the center ring in the Greatest Show on Earth. He is in Venice, Florida. He owns Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey Circus.

JUDGE HOYT: Val Sigstedt.

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STATEMENT OF VAL SIGSTEDT

MR. SIGSTEDT: Two things, Philadelphia Electric
Company, I would like to thank you for uniting this community;
two, at least two of the blue lights up on top of the far
tower have burned out.

(Laughter.)

This public hearing is a fraud. This regulatory agency is a sham. You are a public relations machine for the industry we pay you to regulate.

Any other public agency such as Medicare or the Internal Revenue Service has consistent rules which bind all concerned. Yours does not. The Nuclear Reg latory Commission protects an industry that is like the horse dead in the stall, but is still standing up.

We, here, do not want to be the last American region to have to look at one of these nuclear mistakes.

The mausoleum standing outside beside us is not for making electricity to serve us. Its two functions make it our enemy.

One, it justifies the borrowing of immense amounts of money from a consortium of foreign investors, and that is what City Bank is. This region will owe our very livelihood to utter strangers who will ruin our credit, drive out our life supporting industries. Bad money drives out good money, and that is what money people say. City Bank and you people

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Acceptate Reporters, Inc. have invaded our electric utility with your shameful regulations at their side. If Limerick goes on line, we accuse you of being the architect, Bechtel the contractor, PECO the property owner, and the military industrial complex of being the client. Then we are your slaves.

Two, electricity is in effect gained by spinning magnets, and that is all they do out there. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is an entire agency set up to force us to spin our magnets by a certain fuel, nuclear fission, the most dangerous and wasteful fuel ever.

Where is the powerful governmental agency called the Coal Regulatory Commission? Nowhere. But why? It is because plutonium is too expensive to extract from uranium ores, but it appears as a concentrated byproduct from ordinary nuclear commercial production of electricity in the waste, quote quote, the spent fuel rods.

After years in the reaction chambers of America, plutonium burns free of the other hellish excreta and gets cheap enough to extract for nuclear weapons.

That is why we are here in this room with fear and anger and a great abiding belief we can cheerfully halt what you do in Montgomery County.

The nuclear bomb industry takes what this industry shits and makes hydrogen bombs from it. And that is why your regulatory agency is so obsessive, so cold, so careless

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of our children, our lives and our hard-earned money. You are midwifing monsters every day you are at war withthe world.

(Applause)

At this public hearing held to bring order to PECO's Limerick Planning, we order you to stop. The people here want an armistice, we want a truce, we want someone to come out of the nuclear headquarters or down from Washington or Artentina or Russia, Nevada and tell us you are sane. Tell us you promise to use ordinary business prudence with our money, ordinary mechanical principles with our machinery, ordinary consistent internal policies as you sincerely attempt to regulate this runaway industry.

When your own staff recommended to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to study certain glaring problems regarding the Point Pleasant diversion which is part of this contraption's cooling system as part of the licensing process of Limerick, you overruled your own staff and then you moved out over that dangerous soft spot in the foundation of PE's plant at Limerick.

Just one of those problems is the salinity intrusion in the Delaware River's estuary. Philadelphia and Camden's drinking water are at risk with implications for the Ports of Philadelphia, the fishing industry, and the life of the Delaware River.

Listen to me, if you won't hear your own Staff.

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The river is bled from the top by the 800,000 gallons a day from the New York City diversion. That water held back the saltwater to historic reaches, but it now intrudes deeply in periods of low rainfall.

The Delaware River Basin Commission wants to dam
the river at Tock's Island by the year 2000 and a coalition
of construction unions and a congressman from New Jersey
agree. But, when a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers went to a

DRBC Public Relations Association, the Water Resources
Association, Seminar on Water Conservation last month and
announced -- listen to this, they announced that the Corps
now believes that Tock's Island reservoir should not be built,
but it should be deauthorized instead and let this region go
back to normal.

That wasn't even carried in the newspapers, but it aswbig news to the Delaware River, because years back Congressman Peter Kostmeyer fought with the Corps to get that to happen, and the Tock's project slept over a decade with one eye open.

JUDGE HOYT: Sir, your time is up.

MR. SIGSTEDT: That is big news to salinity question that you are in authority to answer before you damage this region with your client's water withdrawals.

You had better reverse your decision on that and find out why your staff said to you professionally, sirs, we

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have to study salinity intrusions on the Delaware before Limerick gets its license to draw water.

Our plan conflicts with the Corps of Engineers. What are we to think of this?

The NRC, the new energy guides in the Corps of Engineers, the old energy guides --

JUDGE HOYT: Sir, I ask you -- ir.

The hearing will recess.

(Recess.)

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Our next speaker is Mr. Marvin I. Lewis.

STATEMENT OF MARVIN I. LEWIS

MR. LEWIS: My name is Marvin Lewis, L-E-W-I-S. My address is 6504 Bradford Terrace, Philadelphia, 19149.

I have a few disjointed statements to say. First,

I delivered a letter to Congressman Bob Borski requesting

another public hearing because of this change of location.

I hope this Board will see fit to have another public hearing
on this because this place is difficult to get out to.

Secondly, I understand that SEPTA buses are used as some kind of back-up buses in the emergency plans. I do have the emergency plan in my hand. I am a former intervenor and I do read them and I still can't understand the plan but that is as it may be. I do want to make a few comments about the SEPTA drivers.

One, SEPTA drivers are not required to be emergency drivers. There is nothing in their union contract to say that they are emergency drivers. Two, SEPTA drivers are not required by union contract to drive other than regular SEPTA routes or place themselves and they are not required to place themselves in jeopardy such as a nuclear accident, fire,

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et cetera.

Third, hours will be needed to requisition and deliver buses to the Limerick area with their drivers and also, some of these drivers are not qualified for routes outside the City of Philadelphia, in other words, they would need a special license to be able to run on state routes and U. S. routes.

I wondered if that contract with SEPTA had been signed and what the costs are and if this is in the contract, is this in the estimation of the Limerick costs at this point.

Another item on the emergency plan, I have a friend of mine, Frank Scullion who is somewhat of an expert on preparing testimony on year round campgrounds in this area. They are heated cabins. They have campers in them all year. We can't figure out how they are going to be evacuated. Not macho because they are girls' camps too, but they are like back to wilderness sort of camps for the kids and they don't allow TV, they don't allow radio but they are heated cabins nonethe less and they do run them year round. I don't even know how you are going to inform these compgrounds that prohibit TV and radio and what have you during the winter or even during the summer for that matter and usually they only have one car around on site or something of that nature and there is no way to get that number of kids into one car to take them home or have their parents pick up them or have

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the bus pick them up at the end of the stay.

I just got this today and I think it is worth mentioning because it is something that intervenors can't get into because it is very confidential. It is information we are not allowed into normally and it is very tough to get at. This is a letter from Murley of NRC to Daltroff of PECO.

"This is to confirm our understanding of your intended actions regarding additional review of information obtained during the background information of security force personnel at the Limerick Nuclear Generating Station. The additional review has been deemed necessary by the disclosure on November 8, 1984 that a member of the security force had falsified his employment history records."

This is pretty serious.

JUDGE HOYT: Is the document that you are reading classified in any way?

MR. LEWIS: No, ma'am. I do not have anything classified in my hand. It refers to classified material.

JUDGE HOYT: All right. Go ahead.

MR. LEWIS: I am not allowed into classified material. That is what I am saying. The intervenors have no way of contesting anything that is classified because we have to have prior knowledge of it which we are not allowed to do so it is a real Catch-22. You are not allowed prior knowledge. Therefore, you can't contest. Therefore, there might be

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something in the plan that is very serious.

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Just go ahead, sir. We just wanted to JUDGE HOYT: be sure that there was no classified material. Thank you.

MR. LEWIS: What is it, somebody lied and somebody was hired that was totally unqualified for the security force. This letter is dated November 9. Judge Cole, I see you are writing a note. It is November 9.

Another item I did was that I took the last iwo months inspection reports and I just made a little chart which I would like to put in the record after my talk showing the deficiencies, the violations, the unresolved items and the open items and they are quite extensive and some of them bear directly on fuel loading and again I just can't afford, it cost me like thirty or forty bucks around for copying and mailing to be an intervenor every time we make a filing which gets quite expensive.

I can't afford it. My group, CANE, Citizen Action in the Northeast, is backing me for one contention on financial qualification of the utility to operate a nuclear power plant in the state.

We are at this time in abeyance as UCS takes the latest NRC regulation on it through the courts and hopefully we will be back soon as CANE or as Marvin Lewis, I am not sure, and hopefully we can show especially a degraded financial qualification of this utility, that they have no right and

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they cannot operate a nuclear power plant safely.

I have one more item. In the statement of the City of Phil delphia Motion to Strike to this Board and it is dated November 14, 1984, the argument that Martha Bush put forth is very interesting. Emergency planning is required for these areas. In fact, implicit in the absolute requirement for emergency planning in the two zones is the contrary view by the regulators the risk is of sufficient degree to require emergency planning.

In other words, the company seems to be aruing that emergency planning is nit-picking which is a word that they have used on NRC -- it is a word that PECO has used on NRC regulations before. They are using this argument that the NRC regulations are unnecessary, they seem to be of the view-point that you don't need a real emergency plan.

Whether the NRC regulations are necessary or are unnecessary at this time or whether they are sufficient or not is not the point we are arguing here. The point we are arguing in this court hopefully, Your Honors, is whether PECO is complying with NRC regulations. As far as I can see, PECO has not complied with regulation and the only reason we are losing, the only reason the intervenors are losing, is that we cannot muster enough money, time and manpower to contest before the NRC adequately.

It isn't a matter of PECO doing it right. It is a

matter of we just do not have the resources. Please, no applause.

If I may, whether or not you agree with Judge Hoyt, she is in charge of this hearing and I would appreciate just as I did at the Pottstown hearing.

JUDGE HOYT: Your time is up.

MR. LEWIS: Thank you very much.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you. Your document that you asked earlier to be inserted in the record, will be inserted at this point in the record.

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Many, many other open and unresolved items in reports previous to the above too numerous to include with the limitation of time.

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JUDGE WITNESS: The next speaker is Allen V. Renish.

STATEMENT OF ALLEN V. RENISH

MR. RENISH: My name is Allen Renish. I live at 979 South Lewis Road, about five miles from here. I don't have a prepared statement but I welcome the opportunity to share my view with the Board to license the power plant here.

I am 57 years old. I am pround to say that I am the father of eight children. We have seven grandchildren.

I work in the area and have lived here all my life. I am not an opponent of nuclear power. I believe that it has some value.

I also believe that the Board members are not stupid people. They are responsible people. I would hope they are responsible people.

I guess the only thing that I can say, there are several things that I can say, one thing that I could say is that let the nuclear power plant operate if it can be shown that the plant is regulated properly, if it can be shown that it is safe, if it can be shown that the evacuation plans will work. Then let it go. Let is operate.

The other thing that I would want to share with you is that we are growing older in America. Right now there are about 35 million Americans that are 65 years and older. We are all going to get there sooner or later if we live to get there but from a matter of costs, I wonder to myself when I get to be

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(Laughter.)

65 years or older, will I be able to pay the electric company for the power that I need for the lights and the heat in my house.

So I guess if it can be shown that it is safe and if it can be shown that it can be regulated, let it run but by the same token, should that number "2" unit be allowed to come on line if I am going to have to burn candles or possibly try to get wood to heat my house when I won't have the money to be able to pay the bills.

We can see what the pressure is in terms of social security. We can see what the pressure is in terms of the fact that perhaps by the year 2000, there may be perhaps one and a quarter working people to support the social security system to pay for those other people. The pressure is on to cut the benefits to these people and it is going to happen. So this is going to be one more pressure that we have to concern ourselves with.

With that, exercise your responsibility with good judgment. I know that you are really concerned about it even though when you sit there, you seem to be arrogant. I don't believe you mean to be arrogant but I quess it is the passion or the emotions are getting to all of us. I don't know how you got your jobs but I quess somebody either appointed you or maybe you volunteered for the job.

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MR. RENISH: I wouldn't want to be sitting in that spot right now because I can see the fire coming out of the eyes of the people around me here. I believe you will exercise good judgment. I believe that within my heart because I tell you, if you don't, I have lived here all my life. I had a home built about five miles from here less than a year ago and if you don't, I am going to put the place up for sale, I am just going to pack up and move.

Thank you.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you very much. Our next speaker will be Richard Reichley.

STATEMENT OF RICHARD REICHLEY

MR. REICHLEY: My name is Richard Reickley and I live in Sumneytown. I want to thank you for this time to speak and my hope and concern is that you will really listen, really listen to me and the other people here.

I know there has been disruption here tonight but these people really have feelings in their hearts and they know that there is something really important here that you have to decide. I want to speak of only one concern although there are many, many concerns that this evacuation report has in it, many concerns. But I only want to speak of one concern tonight. That is my three grandchildren.

My three grandchildren go to a school that is within the ten-mile radius. I wish my three grandchildren were here

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right now because that would change your hearts and your minds.

There are not enough buses to move these children out of that school and every one of you sitting here know that. There are not enough buses to move them at one time. One thing we finally and it took a while, but we finally learned from Three Mile Island, that we, the public, were not told about the accident until many, many hours afterwards.

That means when there is an accident and we finally know about it, there is already radiation out there and we don't have time to make trip after trip after trip to get these children out.

We don't have that time. Radiation does harm people. PECO says it doesn't but there are many scientists who are scientists that know what they are talking about that radiation does hurt people. There is nothing that is more important to this United States of America than our children, nothing. Not the money, not all the money that PECO has in its billions of dollars. That is not as important as our children. That is the most important thing to our nation. Those children are more important than any corporation even the largest corporation in this country. Those children are the things that are most important.

You of the NRC, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, you have this most important task to protect our children not Philadelphia Electric's money.

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STATEMENT OF MARGARET DARDIS

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you. Our next speaker is

MS. DARDIS: I welcome this opportunity to speak to the judges. I would first like to hand you an exhibit which is my personal observation of last summer's test. Following that, I had obtained a copy of the FEMA report on that test which I have here. On page 21 of that report, I believe that FEMA observers report refers to the same center that I and others of my friends from Bucks County observed in Montgomery County.

Although the similarity between what we saw and what appeared in the FEMA report is so small that it is really difficult to know. However, I wish that the Commission would check on that aspect of the reporting on the plans by FEMA.

What I really want to talk with the Board members about is this. First let me say that I am here in a double capacity. I live in Bucks County which is supposed to be a support county but where there are many people who are actually within 25 miles of the plant by quite a bit. I, myself, am not quite in that area. On the other hand, my summer home where my son resides year round is in an EPZ of another plant and I am quite familiar with receiving a little card telling me to go to South China high school if there is

ever an accident at Maine Yankee. My daughter-in-law who was born and raised within a hundred miles of where we were, neither she nor anyone else knew where South China was. Maybe it is the South China Syndrome.

(Laughter.)

MS. DARDIS: I noted that there was a question about ill-informed laymen and I don't think anyone should be ill-informed laymen or otherwise. Therefore, I would like to read from the NRC's own pronouncement on Limerick from page N-3, I believe the next to the last appendix in the final environmental statement.

This has to do with modeling what would happen to people in the event of a serious accident resulting in releases from plant internal causes, fires and low to moderately severe earthquakes, not the most severe earthquake.

For these situations there is assumed, there has been an assumption made by the staff at other plants that the people from the ten to 25 mile area under the wind blown radioactive plume would be relocated within 12 hours after passage of that plume.

That assumption, this says, cannot be made by the staff for this plant. The staff judgment, I quote, is that this assumption for a site with high population density would not be appropriate because the large number of people that would be involved in the ten to 25 mile region would make

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this scenario unrepresentative. In other words, people living in the ten to 25 mile area here are unrepresentative even though they may be under that plume.

Instead, the staff analysis assumes that ourside of the ten mile EPZ, only people from the highly contaminated areas see another section which I am about to quote from, "chly those people would be relocated 12 hours after plume passage." Now let's get a definition straight while we are on definitions. Evacuation means getting out before you are irradiated you hope. Relocation means getting out after you are irradiated. That is the difference.

So we are talking about people between ten and 25 miles which takes in a fair amount of my county. We are talking about the possibility of their having to move because this plume has come over as a positive ground dose which could yield as much as 200 rem over a seven day period.

Now I am going to read the definition of highly contaminated. Relocation of the public from the highly contaminated areas beyond ten miles is assumed to take place 12 hours after plume passage which we were just were told couldn't be done in this area. The criteria for this relocation is whether the projected seven day ground dose to the total bone marrow as projected by field measurements would exceed 200 rens which is only slightly above the average threshhold exposure for potential early fatality with minimal medical treatment.

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Otherwise, people in highly contaminated areas are assumed to be relocated within seven days.

Now I understand Judge Cole is here, but I don't know which gentleman he is. You are Judge Cole, and I have read your comments in transcripts of testimony on this very point.

Your self questioning whether you would like to receive 200 rem or 199 rem, which of course, doesn't warrant evacuation, perhaps. You said that it was a very high dose.

Yet, the Staff at the NRC says that this is a possibility in a number of credible accidents.

I would like you and this Board to consider why people in my County or in Philadelphia within 25 miles of the plant or in Eastern Montgomery County or in Chester or in the other areas to the north and west of here which are not as much downwind, but of course are at risk, why anyone should be expected to receive more radiation than would be received -- that is, they would receive more in a 24-hour period than would be received under allowable limits for the emergency workers who would get a one-shot dose and then would not be permitted back into the area any further.

That is after 25 --

JUDGE HOYT: Ma'am, I think your time has expired. MS. DARDIS: Yes, I understand. Thank you very I believe under such circumstances, other people

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would expire as well as the time.

Thank you.

JUDGE HOYT: Will you take your jacket, and please, ma'am replace that sign.

MS.DARDIS: Yes, ma'am, I shall.

JUDGE HOYT: Please, ma'am, replace that piece of

(Judge Cole replacing tape.)

JUDGE HOYT: I appreciate that.

The article which was given to the Board, apparently a column written by the speaker, Margaret M. Dardis, a published column in the Tuesday, August 7, 1984 Bucks County Courier Times Pennsylvania entitled Disaster, will be inserted nto the record at this point.

(The document follows.)

See FEMA Exercise Evaluation Report, LUS, Exercise July 25, 1984, P. 21. Report Sept 191984

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BUCKS COUNTY COURIER TIMES

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Disaster

PECO's emergency procedures a failure in Bucks County

Margaret M. Dardis

Some Bucks County citizens wondered why our commissioners refused to participate in the recent "test" of emergency procedures in the event of a nuclear accident at Philadelphia Electric's Limerick plant. The issue is due to come up again soon as the Bucks County plan is examined. Perhaps your readers would enjoy a firsthand account of just what went on that day over the line in Montgomery County.

Armed with an observer's badge, I spent a good part of the afternoon looking for "my" reception center. It was hard to find because no signs, barricades or pylons had been set up. No police were at the intersection to direct traffic. It turned out that the Federal Emergency Management observer had been calling to find out where the "response personnel" were, while they sat in their offices awaiting a call that never came. The wrong number had been included in the plan.

Communications finally being established, the coordinators opened — and closed — the center in the little space of half an hour. "For lack of evacuees," they explained. In fact, the order to evacuate came much later, more than two hours after the center was closed down.

I followed the one ambulance and one police car over to the "mass care center" at a nearby school. There, a young man was winding up a demonstration of monitoring a person for radioactive contamination, the only complete demonstration of the evening. There were no "injuries," no "evacuees," no more monitoring or decontamination procedures.

There was, I must admit, food. Outdoors, volunteers barbecued hot dogs and hamburgers under a sky that, in a real accident, might easily have been dropping radioactive particles on the food. Indoors, school children from the summer swimming program ran barefoot back and forth across the "contaminated" area where the geiger counter sat. No one stopped them.

Three men in Red Cross hard hats arrived. No, they'd leave the cots in the van, they were too heavy. How many cots in the van? No cots, just blankets. If this were the "real thing," supplies would come from the warehouse down in Philadelphia, around Cottman. What about traffic during a disaster? "We do what we can."

The emergency coordinator, volunteers and the woman from FEMA ate under a glorious sunset sky. A radio amateur, the only person who seemed to be paying attention to the drill, remarked that "if this were the real thing," he and his family would be on their way to Maryland. One of the Red Cross people hung up two Red Cross flags in the cafeteria, tramping through the contaminated area to get there.

A car slewed into the parking lot, a young man, followed by an assistant loaded down with electronic camera equipment, rushed up demanding, "Where's the Red Cross? We're supposed to videotape for Energy Consultants. Where are the flags and banners?"

Energy Consultants, I happened to know, was the outfit that had contracted to produce PECO's evacuation plan. I must confess some pleasure upon learning later that they had driven for an hour or more around a deserted industrial park, looking for the long-closed reception center. I had wasted several gallons of gas in that same park earlier.

As the newcomers taped "the fine volunteer response to the drill" for their employers, one volunteer confided that she was getting \$80 from PECO for her presence at the "surprise drill." The young man on the geiger counter returned from the picnic area and began to monitor another volunteer. A bit past the crotch, he stopped and put away the probe because the picture taking was finished.

The people I met that day — except, perhaps, for those from Energy Consultants — were wonderful, good, kind, earnest people. They were doing an abominably bad job of something that no one could have done well. Clearly, few of them would know an isotope from a heliotrope. "You get more radiation from smoking a pack of cigarettes," someone said, "than you'd get from an accident at Limerick." I would trust those people

implicitly in any emergency — except a nuclear one. Watching them, I felt some of the anger that comes upon seeing a nice person being conned.

Reading the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's statement on Limerick, I had learned that high contamination could be dropped downwind as far as 25 miles from the plant site. The mass care center where I observed was somewhat closer than that. So, as we all said goodbye at the end of the "exercise," I asked the Red Cross manager what would be done with evacuees "if this were the real thing" with the wind blowing from Limerick, as it was that moment. Apparently there were no contingency plans. "We do what we can," he said. "Anyway, it's only a test."

I went home and began to read the plans again. They don't say anything about helping people under the 25-mile plume. They do say that for 50 miles downwind, feed and water might have to be trucked in for farm animals. The plans don't say anything about trucking in food and water for people. The plans don't guarantee that truck drivers will make deliveries in a contaminated area. Even if people picked up and left of their own accord, the plans don't say where they would go.

I fell asleep with the Bucks County plan beside me, wondering: just where the hell would they all go?

Margaret M. Dardis is a Bucks County resident.

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JUDGE HOYT: I think the previous witness,

Mr. Lewis had a table that he wanted to include in the record
and we did not get that from him, or he did not give it to us.

Is he in the room?

If he is in the room, we would askthat he give it to us at this time.

JUDGE HARBOUR: The table is the one that was the compilation of the construction reports for the past month.

Is Mr. Lewis still here?

(No response.)

JUDGE HOYT: Very well. Pamela Buss, please.

STATEMENT OF PAMELA BUSS

MS. BUSS: My name is Pam Buss. I have been a busdriver with Owen J. Roberts for seven or eight years. But I will not be able to drive the students to a host school, because I would want to be with my own family. And, I also do not think many of the drivers will be available because, it used to be that bus driving was like a housewife's job, but now there are fewer, and it is more a job held by men who have been laid off at like the steel companies, or Firestone. And they hold several part-time jobs to support their families.

These men would not be near a phone in case of emergency and they would be at their various jobs. So, I do not think many of them would drive thebuses.

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JUDGE HOYT: Thank you, ma'am.

Next speaker is Robert A. Boyer.

STATEMENT OF ROBERT A. BOYER

MR. BOYER: My name is Robert Boyer. I live in Chester Springs, which is about nine miles from the plant.

First, I would like to say that I'm appalled at having to come to PE's den of propaganda in order to make a statement at a supposedly impartial hearing, and I resent having to stand at a podiumwith the words Philadelphia Electric Company on the front --

JUDGE HOYT: Sir, I am going to insert into the record at this time, a correct description of the podium at which you are standing.

The words "Philadelphia Electric Company" are covered by a piece of tape.

MR.BOYER: You cut me off before I could finish my sentence. I was going to say "even though they are covered by tape."

I am a parent and I am a concerned citizen, and
I have some serious apprehension about the evacuation plan,
specifically as it pertains to farmers.

The evacuation plan say that farmers will designated as emergency workers in order to tend to their livestock in the event of a radiological emergency, and they will be provided with training and dosimetry.

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I have never heard of any training. I don't have any idea what a dosimetry is.

I obtained a pamphlet issued by the Pennsylvania

Department of Agriculture to farmers around Three Mile Island

prior to the accident, which described actions to be taken

in the event of an accident at the plant. What you should

know about nuclear power plant accidents. Farmers' Emergency

Information.

One interesting thing is, on the cover it says:

"Dear Farmer, this booklet contains general information on
the needs and care of animals should there be an accident
at a nuclear power plant. The likelihood of a serious
accident at a nuclear power plant is extremely small, but it
could happen."

The first three pages explain how to shelter and feed with uncontaminated feed, our livestock.

Then on page four, I will quote, it says: "Providing shelter and care for all livestock is usually impractical and impossible.

Now they just had three pages telling me how to do it, and then on page 4 they say it is really impossible.

I didn't need that statement. I already arrived at the same conclusion after page 1. I have beef cows, and when I handle them for testing sales, et cetera, I hire extra help.

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rters, Inc. I could not round up my herd by myself and get them into shelter.

I have chickens, some of which are free range, and it would take me some time to round them up.

I have hogs. Of course some are housed indoors, but the breeding stock are at pastur e, and I have often spent with help, four hours trying to round up a sow to get her inside to farrow.

I also have horses which could be gotten in here again, if I have sufficient time. If I have a week or two.

The second part of the evacuation plan says that I am supposed to have shelter to get these animals into.

It says I should plan ahead, convert other buildings.

Is Philadelphia Electric Company going to pay me for that?

I have 20 cows, 10 horses, 50 pigs, 200 chickens all in one barn. It is not that big a barn.

The pamphlet says plan ahead.

Next, the pamphlet deals with ventilation. It says how important ventilation is for animals.

I'm a farmer. I know how important ventilation is.

I've had many a calf die in my arms from respiratory infections in poorly ventilated buildings.

But the pamphlet says also, be careful, because if you ventilate too much you might be letting in contaminated air.

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rs, Inc. 25 So, here again I have the double do, but don't do. This verbal jargon both in this pemphlet, and in this evacuation plan, reminds me of the New Speak Language in Orwell's 1984. But then it is 1984.

I would just like to conclude by saying that we can't evacuate our animals, we can't evacuate ourselves. As one human being to three other human beings, you are my brothers and my sister, please don't license this plant.

We cannot evacuate.

If this plant runs amok, we have had it.

Thank you.

(Applause)

JUDGE HOYT: Geunes-Boyer.

STATEMENT OF GEUNES-BOYER

MS. GEUNES-BOYER: I would like to say I feel the unrent evacuation plan is inadequate, unworkable in its totality. But specifically in the area of schools, the plan calls for teachers to evacuate with students and remain with them until such time as parents or other authorized persons pick them up.

We cannot expect teachers to forsake their own families and evacuate with our children. Many teachers have stated they will not comply with this, nor would their parents. No parent would forsake their own child and evacuate in opposite direction.

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I intend to put my family first ahead of any so-called evacuation plan.

Evacuation will not work, Mimerick will not work.

Please don't allow this plant to operate.

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JUDGE HOYT: Brenda Honig, H-o-n-i-g. (Applause.)

STATEMENT OF BRENDA HONIG

MS. HONIG: I come speaking as one who has observed the day of the drill and also as the North Coventry PTO president who is concerned about the care of over 500 children at a school that is within two miles of the plant.

In light of the poor construction record as demonstrated at plants as the (inaudible), Arizona plant, and the Salem Plant, which is PECO part owner of that plant, Three Mile Island and so on, in light of mismanagement and falsified records, tests that have been given by the NRC that are called take-out tests at college level where anyone can fill in the blanks and return them, in light of poor security with which the utility even had problems the day of the drill, and I am very surprised that they would admit that which they publicly did in their own newspaper, when your PR job has been to build public confidence, that person should be fired because it only destroyed public confidence in your own security.

It has been suggested that Three Mile Island wasn't sabotaged because so many backup systems failed. We are concerned. You did not comfort us when

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you gave that information about the security being breached the day of the drill when you were being observed.

No one at the site is there except the utility. Don't be fooled by the name "resident inspector." That person is not there. It is a false name. That person could come, they would be told, in a site alert to come to the plant.

It is false security.

In light of no technical information to municipalities and schools about how to protect ourselves, about the types of accidents that could occur with the time of releases that could come, how soon they could come and how long they could last, we have been told by Energy Consultants, their PR job has been to call it a puff, as if it is a cigarette puff. And it will pass over.

It can stay. On a rainy day it can stay. It can come and come and keep coming. It may not be a puff that goes over. That is ideal.

In light of these things the NRC must seriously consider the emergency plans, even if they are a little more expensive to take the time to do that more honestly and carefully. I am a rate payer. I will be a rate payer. Many of us who are critical are educated, and we are

decal Reporters Inc. informed. We are college graduates. We have taken post-graduate courses. We know that mutations, genetic mutations can occur slowly. We know that cancer can occur slowly. We know there are other risks in our environment. We don't choose to add to it in a most potentially serious and harmful way.

The specifics I am opposed to are that
bus drivers are not under contract and they are not
even employed by the schools. I corroborate what
Pamela Buss has said, ditto. Even my son's bus to school
has different drivers because they have told me that they
cannot keep the same drivers because they just quit.
They can't take it from the kids. They are not going to
be around in an emergency either. They are employed
by a private agency.

In Pottstown, a large community, it is not even a bussed community. They don't have busses. Their road capacity is poor. There are two-lane roads in our two- to five-mile area around the the power plant where there is a high population density.

My own township, for your information, did not have plans to -- in North Coventry Township -- close to the plant, within two miles, did not have plans to take handicapped people, the elderly, and people without transportation without relying -- they plan to rely

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on the county. They were told by FEMA to come up with something else. They had to use dump trucks.

I was appalled that the day of the drill they had nothing but dump trucks as a backup. They thought it was a laughing matter.

We do not have the ambulances. We rely on the Pottstown ambulances. We have no funeral homes with hearses.

We have no training. They used toy dosimeters that day.

The radio can't receive WCOJ as planned presently. We cannot receive it at night. PECO volunteers were used in my township building for major jobs. Sirens can be sounded selectively, but my elected officials who can't order that did not know yet that they were able to do that. But there still is no organization beyond that for the radios to be designed to give emergency protective action guides to people if there were selective guidelines.

PEMA has given us no technical information about the potential of accidents also.

My most serious contention, if I may just present this yet, is that the people within the two- to five-mile area zone, under the highest density population or a high density population area, first of all,

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we had no sirens sounded until an hour and 25 minutes into a general emergency. I am appalled.

The BRP philosophy is run like hell, back to the old '50s philosophy, run like hell or duck and cover. Their philosophy is run like hell. They feel it is not safe to be sheltered.

They do not agree -- in the NUREG 0654 book, NRC/FEMA manual, there is advised a split sheltering. I don't understand -- well, it is a split advisory. Sheltering that we feel is not protective. It could reduce risk, but there can be an air exchange within an hour or two hours.

Our public school building two miles from the school is not water-tight, let alone airtight. We are not ready to be able to shelter children and protect them.

The public has also been not told how to protect themselves as far as boots, long pants to come out in, if your area is irradiated and your top soil is radioactive.

The public has not been told. Our township people don't even know this. Our school people -
JUDGE HOYT: Ma'am, I think your time is up.

MS. HONIG: May I ask also too that the thyroid blocking tablets be considered for the public and

we be let know before a general emergency because it --

JUDGE HOYT: What was the --

JUDGE COLE: Thyroid blocking.

JUDGE HOYT: I'm sorry.

MS. HONIG: And also that if it has to be licensed, we will be let know before a general emergency.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you. Our next speaker will be Carrie Simonetta.

Thank you.

STATEMENT OF CARRIE SIMONETTA

MS. SIMONETTA: Inasmuch as this meeting was billed as a last opportunity for the public to speak, it should have been held where it was originally cheduled or in a neutral place. Instead of that, here we are where we are being stared at by PECO's lawyers and we have PECO's security guards surrounding us. And we are intimidated by --

JUDGE HOYT: Ma'am, just for the record, there are no security guards of the company in this room. Counsel for the applicant is entitled to be here as are counsel for all other parties.

MS. SIMONETTA: I feel this building alone is a psychological trauma that few people could feel free to speak in.

Anyhow, the evacuation plan assumes participation

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from bus drivers and teachers in Upper (inaudible), Wissahickon, and the main line areas. These people were never even informed about the plan, let alone have said that they would participate in it.

Furthermore, Bucks County is listed as a receptive host in the plan, and I know hundreds of people in Bucks County who are worried about themselves and would not want contaminated people in school busses coming into their area.

If you evacuate people, there will be no place for them to go.

At Limerick you have seven foot thick walls and a secondary containment building to keep the radiation from getting out, if radiation is released during an accident. People are being told to put cloths over their face while they are huddled in parking lots. This would protect them.

They are being told that if the roads are blocked and they can't get out of the area, they should get underneath furniture and that would protect them.

All I can say is, I hope the furniture is seven foot thick.

Thank you.

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you.

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We will take one more. Richard M. McNutt.
STATEMENT OF RICHARD MC NUTT

MR. MC NUTT: My name is Richard McNutt, M-c-N-u-t-t.

I am an industrial engineer and I live
in (inaudible) Township in Bucks County. And Judge Cole
and Mr. Connor can speak to my credentials if there
needs to be anything on the record, because it was already
put on the record in Washington.

When Philadelphia Electric Company had its evacuation drill on the 25th of July, I went to the Bucks County officials concerned with emergency management. I asked them to tell me where to find information on how citizens should react when food and water supplies were contaminated by an accident at Limerick. I was told that Bucks County was not participating in the emergency drill and that they were not participating in emergency planning for an accident at the Limerick plant.

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This is 25 miles away from the Limerick Power Plant. So I went to Montgomery County which is where we are in case you hadn t noticed. I asked who the contact person was for information about food and water contamination during an accident scenario at Limerick. I was told that there was no information available from the emergency management or the sheriff's department or any department and I should talk to the commissioners in Montgomery County. I presented a formal protest to the commissioners and the protest was given to them on the 25th of July in 1984 and it read, "This is a formal protest of Montgomery County's participation in the PECO evacuation drill. The NRC states that in the event of an accident the water supply and food will be contaminated for 50 miles. PECO's plan considers the contamination contained within a ten mile radius. Montgomery County has taken no action to either prevent or cure any such contamination. I am here to find information as to what our actions should be to react to contaminated food and water supply."

The Commissioners told me at that time that they had no information. They told me that the County had no responsibility in this area because they had no public health department in Montgomery County. I asked them to see what they could do about providing that information. I left for the West Coast and when I returned in September I followed up

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only to find that no information had been gathered and the question was done formally.

I was told to contact the state health department because Montgomery County accepted no responsibility having no health department in the county. So on October 1st, I wrote to the State Health Department, the State of Pennsylvania.

"Dear Sir, Mr. Paul Bartle, chairman of the

Montgomery County Commissioners has informed us that

Montgomery County has no health department and that if

we need information on the effects of potential contamination

of water and food supplies by the Limerick Nuclear Generating

Station that we should contact the state health department.

We understand that the state health department has a responsibility for the people who live within a 50-mile radius of the Limerick power plant and that Mr. Bartle absolves himself and his county from their responsibility.

We are appealing to your department for an answer to that question. In the event of a contamination for whatever reason from the Limerick power plant, number one, who is responsible for our water and food supply and number two, from where is information and assistance readily available during an emergency at the Limerick plant concerning our water and food supply? Number three, why is this information not made available during test drills for

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licensing? Number four, what services do the county provide during an emergency to protect citizens from contaminated food and water intake?

What are the long term plans for citizens' protection in the event of contamination of food and water supplies? What are the short term plans for citizens' protection in the event of contaminated food or water supply?

Number six, for information now before an emergency, who is the contact person for related information on food and water supply in Montgomery and Bucks County? Who monitors for contamination of food and water supply? Number eight. who will monitor during an emergency at the Limerick plant?

Our goal is to understand the planning that is already in place and understand the role that we will take in the process of protecting the integrity of our food and water supply. We are a citizens organization concerned with the organization and are conscious of our resources and the health of our environment.

Thank you for the attention to this matter. look forward to your prompt reply as the fuel-loading process has already begun."

As of the 15th of November, 1984, I have received no answer. So I have Bucks County with no answer. I have Mongtomery County with no answers and I have the State with no

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answers as to who the hell is going to take care of our food and water supply. I want to know. Is the NRC going to take care of our food and water? Is PECO? Somebody around here has to know something about food and water supply.

JUDGE HOYT: Are you just about finished, sir?

MR. McNUTT: I am close.

JUDGE HOYT: We will give you another minute.

MR. McNUTT: Considering the fact that the

Limerick water flows into the Philadelphia water supply,

don't you think that this should be an issue? We will have

millions of victims here with no one or no place to contact

for any kind of information or assistance. At this hearing

so far, I see no buses, no food, no water, no shelter, no

leadership, no information, no regulatory commission.

Thank you for the time.

(Applause.)

JUDGE HOYT: Thank you. We have 14 speakers for which there will simply not be time this evening to receive their comments. We will ask any of the persons that may wish to sulmit their comments in a letter or in some sort of a written statement to us, that they send that to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, Washington, D. C., 20555. You may address them to me if you wish.

COMMENT FROM THE FLOOR: I don't have a pen or a pencil with me.

JUDGE HOYT: Mr. Crockett in the back of the room

I think still may have a few cards available. If you wish to
have him write the address down for you, I am sure he would
be happy to do so.

COMMENT FROM THE FLOOR: What is the reason for closing this hearing now? I drove 45 minutes to be here.

JUDGE HOYT: The published hours for this hearing --

COMMENT FROM THE FLOOR: Don't tell me that is why

I voted on November 6th. I do not want to hear that. I am

a serious American, lady, and if you know anything about

Bucks County politics, we do not tolerate politicians that

don't tolerate the people's rights. Don't close this hearing.

Don't close this hearing. We will not leave. We will not

leave.

JUDGE HOYT: Sir, I am not a politician.

COMMENT FROM THE FLOOR: You are out of order.

(Applause.)

JUDGE HOYT: Sir, you scream at me one more time and I will have you removed from the building. Please, I am not going to have you do that. Thank you, sir. The hearing was advertised between the hours of seven and ten. We have concluded the time today and the hearing is closed.

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We do have some statements to be inserted in the record at this point. Thank you.

(The documents supplied to be inserted in the record follow:)

See note on the last page!

An Open Letter To All Parents, Teachers, Emergency Workers, Civil Servants, Government Officials, And All Interested Persons Concerning Reponsibility In Respect To Emergency Plans For Nuclear Plants

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by Dr. Ronald P. Milito

At present the nuclear regulatory commission (NRC) is requesting an emergency evacuation plan as a prerequisite for the licensing of a nuclear power plant. What is our moral responsibility in respect to cooperation with the plan development? To answer this question the following points must be raised and courageously penetrated with clear thinking.

The NRC's decision to update radiological emergency plans to include a 10 mile radius evacuation zone clearly indicates that in the NRC's own opinion nuclear power plants are not as trustworthy as previously considered. This change of thought, stimulated by the incident at Three Mile Island, reveals the error of the NRC's previous stance. Consider all the years of nuclear operation without evacuation plans. Who would have been morally responsible if an accident had caused injury, death or loss of property? Those who owned and operated the plants and those who licensed the operation without an evacuation plan, namely the NRC, would have born the responsibility. Since the NRC is on record as overestimating plant safety in the past, how can we be confident they are not overestimating the effectiveness of a realistic evacuation plan? The record also shows the tyranny of the NRC which forced the people to accept the dangers of nuclear plants without those at risk even having a vote in the matter. What could be a clearer violation of the spirit behind the Bill of Rights, Article V, "No person ... shall be deprived of life, liberty or property, without due process of law; ". One of the cries of the early American colonists was "no taxation without representation". Clearly jeopardizing life, health, and home by nuclear plants without even a vote is a far worse tyranny.

Now the NRC wants local and state government officials, both elected and non-elected, to review and agree to the evacuation plans. Not only do they want agreement, but they want these officials to cooperate and help develop these plans. Hold it clearly in mind that anyone who develops, agrees to, or cooperates with the plans becomes an accomplice in the NRC's tyranny. If in the case of a nuclear accident the plans are ineffective then all accomplices MUST bear the moral responsibility for the deaths, injuries, cancers and property losses, even if those at risk had agreed to the plan. But if those at risk cannot even vote, and in fact do not want to accept nuclear dangers, then those who impose them or help, are accomplices in tyranny.

The extent of this tyranny of the NRC and all who become accomplices is made even clearer by asking who will assume the financial liability in the case of a nuclear accident. Should it not be those who assumed the moral responsibility, i.e. those who license the plant, those who own and operate the plant, and those who develop and agree to the necessary safety plans? Yet the same NRC, which is willing to foist nuclear plants upon a population even against the people's will, has also perpetrated and upheld the Price Anderson Act of 1957 which limits the liability of owners and operators of the nuclear plants. When the AEC first offered licenses for nuclear plants, insurance companies would not accept the risk of insuring such plants and investors were too shy without protection. Note that the insurance companies' refusal to insure nuclear plants indicates clearly that they did

not see the risk to be as low as the AEC did. With Price Anderson in place, the utilities are limited in liability to \$560,000,000 even though the AEC's own studies indicate that the worst accident can cause damage running as high as \$28,000,000,000. How could \$560,000,000 ever recompense the loss of all the properties in Chester County, let alone in an "area the size of Pennsylvania" which is cited as an example in the AEC safety study? Please keep in mind that insurance companies will not cover homes and properties against radiological damage, so full coverage against nuclear plant accidents is just not possible. What would happen if a conventional factory exploded and damaged a nuclear plant? The factory owners would be fully liable to the utility company for a lot more than \$560,000,000 considering the cost of nuclear plants. Consider again, the fifth amendment; "No person shall ... be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law;". On March 31, 1977 Judge James B. McMillan of the North Carolina Federal District Court found Price Anderson unconstitutional because it was in violation of the fifth amendment. The darkness of the times we live in is evidenced by the U.S. Supreme Court's reversal of this decision in June of 1978. What Thomas Paine called common sense has become all too uncommon. The injustice and violation of fair play goes even further in the Price Anderson Act when it specifies that utility lawyers fighting the public's claim will be the first to be paid out of the \$560,000,000. There is also a ten year statute of limitations on claims, so if long term effects such as cancer appear after ten years, no claim can be made. Last, but not least, the U.S. taxpayer is footing a good part of the \$560,000,000. How can this bill be passed and extended in the name of protecting the public, especially in an age of so called consumer protectionism by government?

How can the NRC and the utilities keep touting nuclear plant safety when they insist on a limitation of liability? Why do such failsafe plants need this kind of unfair protection? Logically and morally speaking, the NRC and the utilities cannot have it both ways, although in fact, they eat their cake and have it too. What kind of integrity can a person have if he does not want to accept the liability of his own actions, but demands that others be fully liable for their own actions? Free men take full responsibility for their own actions and expect others to do the same.

Who is taking responsibility for the radiation release and exposure that results from mining of uranium, fuel processing, "normal" plant operation, radioactive waste transport and waste storage? The eight part front page series on these problems by The Philadelphia Inquirer (Nov 13-20,1983) reveals the shocking errors, arrogance, lies and deceptions by our government in the history of nuclear power development.

Please keep in mind that <u>all</u> who support the evacuation plans not only take on the moral responsibility for assaults on life, health, property, and the future of the earth, but also enter the realm of tyranny when they do so against the will of the people, when they do not allow the people a vote, and literally add insult to injury when they do not allow those at risk to even have adequate insurance coverage. How can any freedom loving person be a party to this? Even if I favored nuclear power, my sense of right and freedom could only cause me to deplore these methods. When does the end justify the means?

The intentions and credibility of the NRC-AEC sink further into the morass when we realize that they suppressed one of their own major safety study updates which predicted the dire and vast consequences of the worst possible accident. Only a court battle made it public. The NRC then commissioned another study, The Rasmussen Report, which demonstrated the

insignificant probability of a serious accident. The NRC used this report to justify nuclear plant operation for years in spite of valid criticism and then finally agreed officially that the report was invalid. Yet the plants continued operation and we experienced TMI which was supposed to be practically impossible according to Rasmussen. Yet the plants continue operation and now the NRC is clutching at evacuation plans. such a shoddy history of suppression of relevant information, vacillation of judgement, persistent promotion of nuclear plants using faulty justification, and serious accidents, I can only marvel that anyone can expect any better performance with evacuation plans. It strains credulity beyond imagination. At this point it seems that anyone who can seriously trust the record of the NRC is either a fool or is immoral. If a school child had a similar record of vacillation, deceit, foolhardiness, and accidents in chemistry lab, what would we think of the teacher that let him loose in the lab alone with dangerous chemicals? To complete the analogy, please imagine the school has no liability insurance!

Let us consider the validity and effectiveness of the evacuation plans, realizing that even if a plan were 100% effective in preventing human radiation exposure, there is still the problem of inadequate compensation for property loss. How effective must and can such a plan be? How many deaths, cancers, and mutations are acceptable? To whom are these assaults acceptable?, the NRC?, the utilities?, the government agencies and representatives? Why is there no official polling of the group at risk? Those at risk will have no direct vote on the plan as it stands now and those who aid the plan are agreeing for all to the NRC criteria laid out in NUREG - 0694 (Criteria for Preparation and Evaluation of Radiological Emergency Response Plans and Preparedness in Support of Nuclear Power Plants). The last phrase of the title makes it clear that those who aid the plans are in support of nuclear plants. The goal of this plan is to provide "dose savings". Dose savings are the differences in radiation exposure which would result if a plan were in effect versus the case of no plan in the event of an accident. The NRC guidelines never say what an acceptable dose savings is. To calculate a dose savings, we need to know how quickly damaging radiation can reach any person in the ten mile radius and the amount of time it takes to move each person out of danger with the plan and without the plan. How quickly can an immediately lethal radiation dose reach any person in the ten mile radius? How quickly can a "dead with two weeks exposure" dose reach any person in the ten mile radius? How quickly can a dose that guarantees cancer reach any person in the ten mile radius? How quickly can a dose that doubles the chance of cancer reach any person in the ten mile radius? How quickly can a dose that causes any increase in the chance of cancer reach any person in the ten mile radius?

Then we need to know how fast each person can leave this region under a variety of weather conditions, times of the week, and times of the day. How fast can you evacuate if the worst accident occurs at 3 a.m. when outside it is frozen over with sleet, ice, or two feet of snow which has just fallen? How long will it take to dig everyone out? How fast can you evacuate if the worst accident occurs during peak rush hour traffic? How will a dense fog or freezing rain affect the evacuation? It does not take a study of intricate statistics to realize that a lot of people are going to be exposed to a lot of radiation under the worst conditions and even under intermediate conditions. Unless continuous and extensive monitoring of radiation is set up throughout the region before the onset of an accident, most people will not know what they have been exposed to. Of course leaving the area in the event of an accident will produce savings if the nuclear plant continues to

spew forth its contents, but will the savings be meaningful if the accident is severe? Is a single lethal dose any better than a triple lethal dose? Is a cancer dose better than a lethal dose? The NRC must clarify what it considers an acceptable dose savings and so must those at risk. How can those at risk make their opinion known? How does the NRC derive the right to impose its will?

In life or death matters, I prefer to make my own criteria. I find that unless the dose savings means no health impacts for myself, my family, and all the people of the region under the worst accident conditions, then the plans are unacceptable. It is clear that the dose savings between having a nuclear plant and not having one will always far exceed any dose savings achieved b, a plant with a plan. Let a referendum be called.

Let us consider those who will be called upon in this plan to be emergency workers. Is it fair to call upon these workers, especially those generous spirits who are volunteers, to stay in the emergency zone in the event of an accident? Should the rest of us gain our dose savings at the price of causing others to assume greater exposure? What benefits will these valiant ones receive? Under Pennsylvania law (ACT 1978-323) said volunteers can expect:

1. A sum of \$2,500 for accidental injury indirectly causing or leading to death.

2. A sum not exceeding \$1,500 for reimbursement for medical and hospital expenses associated with accidental injury.

3. Weekly payments of \$50, beginning on the eighth day of disability directly arising from accidental injury rendering the individual totally incapable of following his normal gainful employment.

How will they survive on this pittance if they are injured? How will they ever prove that the cancer they get ten years later was caused by their volunteer work? What will they do if their homes and places of employment are also lost with no compensation? The plan for Kimberton Farms School reassures us that if farm animals need someone to tend them during an evacuation, Chester County Emergency Services can simply designate our farmers as emergency workers, thereby allowing them to accept a higher level of radiation. How kind of them! Perhaps in the case of an accident, all residents of Chester County could be designated emergency workers and then we would not need to evacuate. The question of liability also arises for those who are injured as a result of the evacuation itself. What if a sick person gets worse and dies as a result of having to go out at 3 a.m. during a winter storm? What if a miscarriage occurs? What if someone slips, a falls, and becomes paralyzed? Who is stepping forward to take the liability? Not those of Price Anderson mentality.

The Pennsylvania School Emergency Planning Guide states that "An effective plan cannot be done for you." Some have argued that if we don't work on the plan a less effective one will be impressed on us. The principles underlying this view are threat and intimidation. If the NRC imposes a less effective plan, then it becomes even clearer that their foremost concern is not safety and their foremost principle is tyranny. There is no doubt that we are being threatened into cooperation and it is equally without doubt that submission to threat erodes human dignity. Even if we approve the plan and it is never activated, the submission to threat will have an inward effect as real and damaging as any external damage of a nuclear accident. We are being held hostages to Limerick and it is a lame thinking that would blame a hostage for maintaining his inner being at the cost of his outer one. If the plant and the plan go on line, our children

will live in the shadow of fear. Imagine the emergency drills, the next telephone call, the next siren wail constantly reminding us of possible cancer or loss of home. The young child will feel this gnew at him, but what a complete let down will come when he finds that all the adults submitted with nary a whimper. If we truly educate by the example we set, and we value justice, then we must refuse to cooperate with the plans. If it turns out that we have to bear the risk of Limerick then let us do it as free men and not as cowards. Let us go on record as standing firm and place the full responsibility for all dangers and injustices squarely on the NRC and their accomplices. Those who believe they must cooperate with the plans to provide the most safety must also come to realize that no plant at all is by far the safest. What irony that such persons would develop the evacuation plans and unwittingly provide a key for the approval of the danger they so want to minimize. He who approves the plan thereby approves the licensing of the plant and not only brings great danger to all but becomes an accomplice to all of the aforementioned injustices. escaping the connection.

Our government officials at all levels need to speak out and let us know where they stand in respect to all of the above points. If they sense the injustices they must have the courage to become our champions even if it means the loss of office.

We must have the energy to probe even deeper to find the roots of these problems. How could such a sad state of affairs have arisen in a country whose inception and development have been so deeply connected with liberty and justice? Dr. Richard E. Webb, a nuclear engineer whose advice was called upon and followed during the TMI crisis, provides a key to the solution of this riddle in his book, The Accident Hazards of Nuclear Power Plants (U. of Mass. Press, 1979). The technical problems of reactors, the weaknesses in the Rasmussen Report, and the weaknesses in the NRC's regulation of safety are thoroughly dealt with in the first twelve chapters. The accident at TMI which occurred after the writing of this book, serves to verify Webb's arguments. This verification is clearly demonstrated in Webb's later work, Analysis of the Accident at Three Mile Island , which is an afterword to the book entitled Nuclear Lessons (Curtis and dogan, Stackpole Books, 1980). Unfortunately the NRC is ignoring Webb's well founded warnings to give up the nuclear power program although they heeded his advice during the TMI emergency.

In the last chapter of <u>The Accident Hazards of Nuclear Power Plants</u>, which is entitled <u>Who should Decide</u>, Webb provides a lucid argument demonstrating the unconstitutionality of the Atomic Fnergy Act of 1954. Analysis of the following excerpt of this act (my emphasis) demonstrates that its justification rests on the "welfare" clause and on the "commerce" clause of the U.S. Constitution (Article 1, Section 8):

...the processing and utilization [power plants] of ... nuclear [fuel] material affect interstate and foreign commerce and must be regulated in the national interest ... and in order to provide for the common defense and security and to protect the health and safety of the public...

Funds of the United States may be provided for the development and use of atomic energy under conditions which will provide for the common defense and security and promote the general welfare.

In order to protect the public and to encourage the development of the atomic energy industry, in the interest of

the <u>General welfare and of the common defense</u> and security, the <u>United States may make funds available for a portion of the damages suffered by the public from nuclear incidents, and may limit the liability of those persons liable for such losses.</u>

Apparently the writers of this act and Congress both presume, as many do, that Congress has indefinite power to raise money to provide for the general welfare. Webb points us to the Constitution, Article 1, section 8 (my emphasis):

The Congress shall have power to lay and collect taxes, duties, imposts, and excises, to pay the debts and provide for the common defence and general welfare of the United States; but all duties, imposts, and excises shall be uniform throughout the United States;

To borrow money on the credit of the United States;

To regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the

several states, and with the Indian tribes;

To establish a uniform rule of naturalization, and uniform laws on the subject of bankruptcies throughout the United States;

To coin money, regulate the value thereof, and of foreign coin, and to fix the standard of weights and measures;

To provide for the punishment of counterfeiting the securities and current coin of the United States:

To establish post-offices and post-roads;

To promote the progress of science and useful arts, by securing for limited times to authors and inventors the exclusive right to their respective writings and discoveries;

To constitute tribunals inferior to the Supreme Court; To define and punish piracies and felonies committed on

the high seas, and offences against the law of nations;

To declare war, grant letters of marque and reprisal, and make rules concerning captures on land and in water:

To raise and support armies, but no appropriation of money to that use shall be for a longer term than two years:

To provide and maintain a navy;

To make rules for the government and regulation of the land and naval forces;

To provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections and repel invasions;

To provide for organizing, arming, and disciplining the militia, and for governing such part of them as may be employed in the service of the United States, reserving to the States respectively the appointment of the officers, and the authority of training the militia according to the

discipline prescribed by Congress;

To exercise exclusive legislation in all cases whatsoever, over such district (not exceeding ten miles square) as may, by cession of particular States, and the acceptance of Congress, become the seat of the government of the United States, and to exercise like authority over all places purchased by the consent of the legislature of the state in which the same shall be, for the erection of forts, magazines, arsenals, dockyards, and other needful buildings: and

To make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into execution the foregoing powers, and all other powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any department or officer thereof.

A simple ability to read English reveals that no such indefinite power is granted. Monies can be raised for the payment of debts and to "... provide for the common defense and general welfare of the United States;" but these powers are clearly delineated in the list of 17 clauses cited above beginning with "To ...". None of these clauses permit the development of any form of energy for public use. Some claim that the clause granting the power of promoting the progress of science justifies Federal development of nuclear power but such promotion is clearly and solely restricted to "... securing for limited times to authors and inventors the exclusive right to their respective writings and discoveries;" (see above). Direct financing of research and art is clearly excluded.

Webb points to the historical fact that adoption of the Constitution was severely resisted by the colonies because of fear that the "general welfare" clause would give Congress indefinite power of control and intervention into every phase of life. Such power had been thrown off by the Revolutionary War. James Madison, sometimes called "the father of the Constitution", argued eloquently to put such fears to rest. In the Federalist Papers, #41, Madison argues as follows:

Some who have not denied the necessity of the power of taxation have grounded a very fierce attack against the Constitution, on the language in which it is defined. It has been argued and echoed that the power to "lay and collect taxes, duties, imposts, and excises, to pay the debts, and provide for the common defense and general welfare of the United States." amounts to an unlimited commission to exercise every power which may be alleged to be necessary for the common defense or general welfare. No stronger proof could be given of the distress under which these writers labor for objections, than their stooping to such misconstruction.

Had no other enumeration or definition of the powers of the Congress been found in the Constitution than the general expressions just cited, the authors of the objection might have had some color for it; though it would have been difficult to find a reason for so awkward a form of describing an authority to legislate in all possible cases. A power to destroy the freedom of the press, the trial by jury, or even to regulate the course of descents, or the forms of conveyances, must be very singularly expressed by the terms "to raise money for the general welfare."

But what color can the objection have, when a specification of the objects alluded to by these general terms immediately follows and is not even separated by a longer pause than a semicolon? If the different parts of the same instrument ought to be expounded as to give meaning to every part which will bear it, shall one part of the same sentence be excluded altogether from a share in the meaning; and shall the more doubtful and indefinite terms be retained in their full extent, and the clear and precise expressions be denied any signification whatsoever? For what purpose could the enumeration of particular powers be inserted, if

these and all others were meant to be included in the preceding general power? Nothing is more natural nor common than first to use a general phrase, and then to explain and qualify it by a recital of particulars. But the idea of an enumeration of particulars which neither explain nor qualify the general meaning, and can have no other effect than to confound and mislead, is an absurdity, which, as we are reduced to the dilemma of charging either on the authors of the objection or on the authors of the Constitution, we must take the liberty of supposing had not its origin with the latter.

The objection here is the more extraordinary, as it appears that the language used by the convention is a copy from the Articles of Confederation. The objects of the Union among the States, as described in article third, are "their common defense, security of their liberties, and mutual and general welfare." The terms of article eighth are still more identical: "All charges of war and all other expenses that shall be incurred for the common defense or general welfare and allowed by the United States in Congress shall be defrayed out of a common treasury," etc. A similar language again occurs in article minth. Construe either of these articles by the rules which would justify the construction put on the new Constitution, and they vest in the existing Congress a power to legislate in all cases whatsoever. But what would have been thought of that assembly, if, attaching themselves to these general expressions and disregarding the specifications which ascertain and limit their import , they had exercised an unlimited power of providing for the common defense and general welfare? I appeal to the objectors themselves, whether they would in that case have employed the same reasoning in justification of Congress as they now make use of against the convention. How difficult it is for error to escape its own condemnation.

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How do authors of the Atomic Energy Act and the Congress dispell such frank contradictions? How did such reversals of interpretation occur? Was the Constitution amended to make these changes? The answer is no!

Webb shows from a study of the record that Congress merely assumed these powers without justifying the new interpretations. Furthermore the U.S. Supreme Court cases that may be cited to support these reversals merely provide obiter dictums. We should be clear that an obiter dictum is " An incidental and collateral opinion uttered by a judge and therefore not material to his decision or judgement and are not binding" (Oxford English Dictionary). Such interpretations or judgements are not on the issues being ruled on in the case. In 1935 (U.S. vs. Butler), the U.S. Supreme Court struck down the Agricultural Adjustment Act which permitted regulation of agriculture through taxing of mills and through subsidization of farmers under contract because the act rested on the "welfare" clause. The Court's obiter dictum however stated that the "welfare" clause is indefinite in power if no contractual obligations are involved. Webb claims the obiter dictum was a signal of approval to the new social security program at that time. In later cases, litigants could not argue that a law overstepped the true meaning of the "welfare" clause because the later Court felt that the Butler dictum had settled the issue. In a 1950 (U.S. vs. Gerlach) obiter dictum, the Court dropped the no contract qualifier from the Butler dictum

and further opined that the "welfare" clause implies "... a substantive power to tax and appropriate (money) for the general welfare", and also the power " to promote the general welfare through large-scale projects for reclamation, irrigation, or other internal improvements." Webb not only points out these obiter dictums, but demonstrates how these dictums are in frank contradiction with earlier Court decisions which ruled directly and correctly on the "welfare" clause. Apparently the ability to overlook qualifiers is a modern qualification for interpreting law that should not be overlooked.

It is true that Hamilton is cited as a reference for the broader interpretation of the "welfare" clause in his 1791 "Report on Manufactures" as Secretary of the Treasury, but Webb points out it is also true that the claim is not made in any of his Federalist publications, nor in his arguments for Constitutional ratification by the New York convention. Hamilton's push for broader interpretation came after ratification and his appointment to office, and was opposed by James Madison and Thomas Jefferson. In Jefferson's Oct 15, 1815 letter to Spencer Roane, he is very clear on this matter:

I hope our courts will never countenance the sweeping pretensions which have been set up under the words "general defence and public welfare." These words only express motives which induced the Convention to give to the ordinary legislature certain specified powers which they enumerate, and which they thought might be trusted to the ordinary legislature, and not to give them the unspecified also; or why any specification? They could not be so awkward in language as to mean, as we say, "all and some." And should this construction prevail, all limits to the federal government are done away. This opinion, formed on the first rise of the question, I have never seen reason to change, whether in or out of power; but, on the contrary, find it strengthened and confirmed by five and twenty years of additional reflection and experience: and any countenance given to it by any regular organ of the government, I should consider more ominous than anything which has yet occured.

Webb also criticizes use of the "commerce" clause of Article I, section 8 as a Constitutional basis for the Atomic Energy Act (see above). According to Webster, commerce is an interchange of goods, ware, productions, or property of any kind, between nations or individuals either by barter or by purchase and sale, while manufactures refers to any product that is made. The framers of the Constitution also made this distinction. During the Federal Constitutional Convention, a specific clause granting Congress the power to promote " agriculture, commerce, trades, and manufactures." was rejected. It was agreed upon to only allow regulation and not promotion with the regulation restricted to commerce. How did regulation of commerce come to be interpreted as regulation of manufactures? How did regulation turn back into promotion? How did regulating commerce become promoting manufactures as in the case of nuclear power plants?

Webb's review of the record shows that up to 1940, common sense prevailed in the Supreme Court's interpretation of the "commerce" clause. In 1880 Kidd vs. Pearson) the court stated:

The language of the grant is, "Congress shall have power to regulate commerce with foreign nations and among the several

States," etc. These words are used without any veiled or obscure signification. "As men whose intentions require no concealment generally employ the words which most directly and aptly express the ideas they intend to convey, the enlightened patriots who framed our Constitution, and the people who adopted it, must be understood to have employed words in their natural sense and to have intended what they have said."

No distinction is more popular to the common mind, or more clearly expressed in economic and political literature, than that between manufactures and commerce. Manufacture is transformation, the fashioning of raw materials into a change of form for use. The functions of commerce are different. The buying and selling and the transportation incidental thereto constitute commerce; and the regulation of commerce in the constitutional sense embraces the regulation at least of such transportation. The legal definition of the term, as given by this court in County of Mobile v. Kimball, is as follows: "Commerce with foreign countries, and among the States, strictly considered, consists in intercourse and traffic, including in these terms navigation, and the transportation and transit of persons and property, as well as the purchase, sale, and exchange of commodities." If it be held that the term includes the regulation of all such manufactures as are intended to be the subject of commercial transactions in the future, it is impossible to deny that it would also include all productive industries that contemplate the same thing. The result would be that Congress would be invested, to the exclusion of the States, with the power to regulate, not only manufactures, but also agriculture, horticulture, stock raising, domestic fisheries, mining, in short, every branch of human industry ...

In 1918 (Hammer vs. Dagenhart) the Court ruled against a law attempting to regulate child labor through the "commerce" clause because the clause refers to the regulation of commerce, not labor or the products of labor. The reversal came in 1940 (U.S. vs. Darby) when the Court struck down the aforementioned ruling of 1918. According to Webb, the Darby opinion reversed all previous interpretations and ignored the intentions of the framers of the Constitution. The Court asserted that:

The power of Congress over interstate commerce is not confined to the regulation of commerce among the States. It extends to those activities intrastate ["production of goods"] which so affect interstate commerce or the exercise of the power of Congress over it as to make regulations of them appropriate means to the attainment of a legitimate end, the exercise of the granted power of Congress to regulate interstate commerce.

In 1942 (Wickert vs. Filburn) the Court again ignored historical precedent by maintaining that " the stimulation of commerce is a use of the regulatory function quite as definitely as prohibition or restriction thereon." In this case promotion, stimulation, and regulation are confused. It is ironic to note that the Atomic Energy Commission which came into existence resting on this confusion was finally divided into the NRC which is supposed to regulate etomic energy (manufacture) and ERDA which is supposed to promote atomic energy (manufacture). While this outcome

indicates the ability to distinguish regulation from promotion, this level of mental power still cannot distinguish manufactures from commerce. We can only wonder what strides will be necessary to bring the level of mental power to the stage where it can simultaneously keep four terms clear.

Webb points out to us that the Courts are not supposed to modify the Constitution through their rulings even if the modifications are desirable ones. In The Federalist Papers, #78, Hamilton states that:

The interpretation of the laws is the proper and peculiar province of the courts. A constitution is, in fact, and must be regarded by the judges as, a fundamental law. It therefore belongs to them to ascertain its meaning as well as the meaning of any particular act proceeding from the legal ative body. If there should happen to be an irreconcilable variance between the two, that which has the superior obligation and validity ought, of course, to be preferred; or, in other words, the Constitution ought to be preferred to the statute, the intention of the people to the intention of their agents.

Nor does this conclusion by any means suppose a superiority of the judicial to the legislative power. It only supposes that the power of the people is superior to both, and that where the will of the legislature, declared in its statutes, stands in opposition to that of the people, declared in the Constitution, the judges ought to regulate their decisions by the fundamental laws rather than by those which are not fundamental.

It is clear that the will of the people means the Constitution. If the will of the people changes then the Constitution must be changed! Webb indicates that these reversals reviewed above were measures taken to deal with the social and economic problems of the 1930's and the 1940's. Aside from the question of the wisdom of such solutions, we must ask ourselves if we respect lawful procedure. Webb cites Washington's Farewell Address where a clear warning is given:

If, in the opinion of the people, distribution or modification of constitutional powers be in any particular wrong, let it be corrected by an amendment in the way which the constitution designates. But let there be no change by usurpation; for though this, in one instance, may be the instrument of good, it is the customary weapon by which free governments are destroyed. The precedent must always greatly overbalance in permanent evil any partial or transient benefit which the use can at any time yield.

When Cornwallis surrendered to Washington at Yorktown, the British troops played The World Turned Upside Down. How ironic it is that in less than 200 years our Constitution has been turned upside down. I agree with Webb that the issues go far beyond the desirability of nuclear power. If we the people want the government to assume these powers, then let the Constitution be amended properly. I oppose these unjust reversals which have lead to all of the aforementioned injustices connected with Limerick and all the other nuclear plants. Why is the will of the people not actively consulted? Lovers of freedom need to study Webb's argument in full detail if the Revolution is not to have been in vain.

The development of regulatory agencies like the NRC also violates the spirit of the Constitution by incorporation of the three branches of government in one body. The NRC makes the law by publishing it in the Federal Register. The NRC then executes the law and also judges violations of the regulations it has made. It also presides over judicial licensing hearings of nuclear power plants where interveners against nuclear power may be heard. Thus we have the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of government combined in one body of nonelected officials.

If we as a people can not muster the energy to penetrate these issues, then in the long run we will become the same as the Soviet Union. Those who argue that we need nuclear power to preserve national independence must ask themselves what good it will do if in the process we erode the foundations of liberty and become hypocrites espousing our love of freedom. William Pitt the Elder, a member of parliament who opposed the unjust taxation of the American colonies, warned us that: "necessity is the plea for every infringement of human freedom." Others say that if we have gone this far with nuclear power or a particular plant such as Limerick, then we must finish it. What kind of lame principle is this? Do we educate children to carry out any mistake, error, or injustice to a culmination if their act is almost completed? If the Prodigal Son had followed this advice we would have one less parable today! We can only agree with Madison when he concludes above: "How difficult it is for error to escape it own condemnation."

This letter was submitted months ago. I have never never necessed a specific rebutal of my points. I believe they are valid. If you don't agree will them please tell we where I have gove mong!

Your tray Ronald P. Milito THE GREAT LIMERICK DECEPTION

They're building a reactor up at Limerick,

Just the thought of it has made me sick.

In case of an accident, what a surprise!

Some of us may lose our lives.

Now the NRC has appeared on the scene

To bring us safety, if you know what I mean.

They encouraged the nukes to proliferate,

But since TMI they now hesitate.

The idea that occurred to them so very late?

We all should plan to evacuate!

But the common sense folk thought it rather silly

Since sleet and snow can come willy nilly.

If we skid in our car, will we get very far?

Can we really scram in a rush hour jam?

Will they warn us in time, at the drop of a dime?

Can they call us by phone, if we're really not home?

If a woman's in labor, can she rely on her neighbor?

If our houses are lost, will they make up the cost?

With danger so near, will we all live in fear?

Whenever sirens do wail, will the children turn pare?

"How silly you common folk all tend to be",

said the experts at large for the NRC.

"The chance of an accident is so very low.

How silly to think, us buried in snow.

If a woman's in labor, then it's better to shelter.

No need to run both helter and skelter.

Then the expert put his thumb in his collar,

"PRICE ANDERSON lads, a penny for a dollar.

That's how we shall reimburse

So you needn't carry a very large purse.

(over)

And as for pale children", he stated to me, "It's the cost of electricity in the land of the free". His demeanor became quite serious and grave And he said, "Tell the children it's the home of the brave". A county official thought it quite grand And gave the expert his trusty right hand. "We shall protect these simple folk". But the rest of us thought, what a sick joke. We thought it odd they could not see How PECO very cleverly is using a legality To have us make their plan for free! We make evacuation plans, how jolly fine, And then old Limerick goes on line. PECO needs the plan to run their plant But if nobody writes them, then they can't. If we don't approve a plan, then it won't be right If officials override us with their might. If the local officials stamp on their seal. Then in case of an accident, they'll have no right to squeal. To the safety of the plan they will have agreed And the injured folks will be left in their need. The profits of PECO will be safe in the store, because PRICE ANDERSON won't allow more. And those who cooperated will cry and lament When they see the nightmare that the devil has sent, But all too late, for their souls will be spent. No! It's not just money we should hold in our sight, But the dignity of man, justice, and right.

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JUDGE HOYT: Thank you all for coming. We will adjourn now and be back tomorrow morning at 9:30. Thank you again.

(Whereupon, the hearing was recessed at 10:10 o'clock p.m., to reconvene at 9:30 o'clock a.m., Friday, November 16, 1984.)

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