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JERSEY CENTRAL POWER & LIGHT COMPANY  
OYSTER CREEK - BWR

There is no doubt in my mind that the shutdown at Oyster Creek contributed to the fish kill even if it was not the sole cause. However, I agree with the editorial in the Asbury Park Press, February 7, 1972, which stated that if the plant had not been in the area, the fish that were killed would not have been there either. The fishing has to be good to have as many people fishing along the canal as I have seen at different times.

Jersey Central is reluctant to submit a separate report; however, after they consider the publicity they have already had, I believe they will submit a report containing all the facts as they see them. Considering some of the items that they are required to report, it is incongruous that there is no specific requirement for reporting the one event that created the most adverse publicity for them since the plant started up.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "F. S. Cantrell", is written above the typed name.

F. S. Cantrell  
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