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Room 1130
1717 H Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Tuesday, 16 October 1979
4:18 p.m.

BEFORE:

- DR. JOSEPH M. HENDRIE, Chairman
- VICTOR GILINSKY, Commissioner
- RICHARD T. KENNEDY, Commissioner
- PETER A. BRADFORD, Commissioner
- JOHN F. AHEARNE, Commissioner

PRESENT:

Messrs. Bickwit, Chilk, and Gossick.

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DH gsh 1 CHAIRMAN HENDRIE: The first thing I will need to
2 do, then, is to ask you to join me in voting to hold a short
3 notice affirmation meeting for the EPICOR-2 order at Three
4 Mile Island, unit 2.

5 Those in favor?

6 (A chorus of ayes.

7 CHAIRMAN HENDRIE: So ordered.

8 Do you want me to introduce them, Sam, or shall you? Last
9 week the commission heard discussions, a continuation,
10 actually, of discussions on the operation of the EPICOR
11 facility at Three Mile Island. The proposition before the
12 House was the operation of the EPICOR-2 filtration and ion
13 exchange unit to decontaminate intermediate level
14 radioactive waste water now held in the Three Mile Island
15 Unit 2 auxiliary and fuel handling building tankage.

16 The tankage is about to become full. There is before the
17 House no motion here to discharge any of the products to the
18 general environment.

19 The aim is to remove the bulk of the radioactive material
20 from the water in those tanks where it must be regarded as
21 having some residual opportunity for leakage, error on
22 turning a valve, or whatever, and getting out the people.
23 And to concentrate that activity on the system on the resins,
24 where it is much less likely to get out and be of concern
25 to people.

DH gsh 1 The commission had had the matter under advisement across
2 the weekend, and it is my understanding that the current
3 draft of a memorandum and order that has been circulated is
4 acceptable to the commissioners and that the commissioners have
5 indicated to the general counsel that that is the case and I
6 would, assuming that, in fact, to be the case, would ask if
7 you are now willing to affirm your votes on the memorandum and
8 order.

9 Those in favor?

10 (A chorus of ayes.)

11 CHAIRMAN HENDRIE: So ordered. Obviously, the order
12 should be available forthwith publicly.

13 (Whereupon, at 4:21, the committee adjourned.)
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