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February 10, 1965

Mr. Earl Anderson, Officer-in-Charge
Public Health Service - Region 2
Department of Health, Education
and Welfare
42 Broadway
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Anderson:

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Mr. T. Iltis, Special Assistant to Admiral Rickover of the AEC
Naval Reactors Division, asked that I send you a copy of the enclosed
June 27, 1963 letter from the AEC Assistant General Manager to
Congressman Jones, Chairman of the House Subcommittee of Natural
Resources and Power. I talked to Mr. Iltis after his February 8,
1965 conversation with you and with Mr. Murray Stein. You will note
that a carbon copy of the subject letter was sent to the Secretary,
DHEW. Other copies were later provided to Mr. Stein and also to a
member of his staff, Mr. R. Blair.

A point pertinent to your discussion with Mr. Iltis is made on page
3, item 10, of the subject letter. The initial DHEW questionnaire
had a section 23, "Remarks", for detailed information needed to
explain or clarify any of the previous 22 items. The three question-
naires for the Bettis Operations had clear, straightforward ex-
planations in section 23, that were necessary to the simple statement
in section 19. However, the DHEW Technical Services Division did
not choose to include this type material in the summary tabulation
as prepared for the published report, "Waste Water Disposal Practices
at Federal Installations". Hence, to anyone reading only that
report, it would appear, contrary to fact and contrary to the
information provided, that deficiencies exist in these operations.

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Unfortunately, this was exactly the conclusion reached by the staff of Congressman Jones' Subcommittee on Natural Resources and Power after their review of the DHEW Report, Volume 57. This specific point was one item of a discussion between AEC representatives and DHEW representatives (Mr. James M. Quigley and Mr. Murray Stein) held on November 15, 1963.

A copy of that initial DHEW questionnaire, as conformed by the Naval Reactors' Pittsburgh Office, is also enclosed. I trust that these will be of help to you.

Very truly yours,

Original signed by
Alex F. Perge

Alex F. Perge, Chief
Materials Processing Safety Br.
Division of Operational Safety

Enclosures:

Ltr. dtd. June 27, 1963

Questionnaire

cc: Naval Reactors Division

Adm. H. T. Rickover/T. Iltis, w/o encls.

Murray Stein, PHS, w/o encls.

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