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Washington, D.C. 20515

May 11, 1979

Dr. Joseph M. Hendrie  
Chairman  
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Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Dr. Hendrie:

In recent days, I have been contacted by a small rural school district in my Congressional District that has been literally pushed up against the wall financially because of the delays in getting a permit and getting construction on the Allens Creek Nuclear Power Units. These units are proposed to be built by Houston Power and Light, and are to be located near Wallis, Texas, in Austin County, Texas.

Generally, about five years ago, two small school districts consolidated and issued revenue bonds to build a new high school in anticipation of the growth in population and tax base because of the building of these two units.

At this time, there is no permit for construction, no increase in tax revenue, and the little school district is at its limit on the local property taxes while facing the retiring of some of the bonds.

My request to you would be to ask someone in the NRC who is knowledgeable about this plant proposal to pick a day to come by my office. I would want to hear from this person, or persons, about the NRC's timetable for getting a permit, what the status of the Allens Creek application is at this time, and what would be the normal expectations in this situation. I would want our discussion to assume that there would be no Congressional moratorium on issuing these permits since this is a matter over which you could not control if it comes about.

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Whoever it is in your agency that could visit with me along these lines should contact my appointments secretary Mrs. Molly Mitchell to set up an appropriate time.

Your consideration of my request for this appointment is appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

  
J. J. PICKLE

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Incoming: Rep. J.J. Pickle

From: \_\_\_\_\_

To: Chairman HEndrie Date 5/11/79

Subject: Requests NRC staffer to brief him on  
status of Allen's Creek reactor license

☒ Prepare reply for signature of:

☒ Chairman Date due Comm: May 21

☐ Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_

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