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June 9, 1981

Mr. Carlton Kammerer
Director, Office of Congressional Affairs
Nuclear Regulatory Commission
1717 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20505

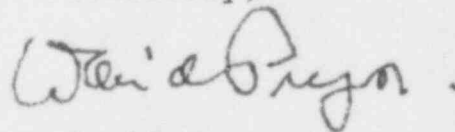
Dear Mr. Kammerer:

I am enclosing for your information a copy of correspondence I have recently received from a constituent who has asked for my assistance.

This is a matter which I think can most appropriately be addressed by someone from your agency. I would appreciate it if I could receive at your earliest convenience a complete response to the points covered in this communication. Your reply will, hopefully, enable me to provide a factual and informative answer to my constituent.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. Please mark your reply to the attention of Carmie Henry of my staff.

Sincerely,



David Pryor

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Enclosure

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Rushing route, Box 280
Mountain View, AR 72560
May 29, 1981

Hon. David Pryor
404 Russell Senate Office Bldg.
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator:

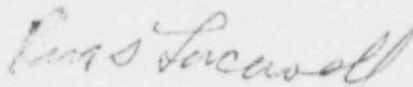
Some information please; if you don't know the answers, please forward this to the NRC or whomever.

The recent accident in Alabama (Browns Ferry Nuclear #3) seemed somewhat familiar. There was a leakage of radioactive water (10,000 gal.) into the containment vessel. My question is what was done about the gas that accompanies this leak of water? Did the NRC allow the Browns Ferry folks to vent it or what. (Also what gases were present after the leak?) How much was vented? How do you feel about such a venting of radioactive gas into a state's/country's atmosphere. (This is precisely what happened at ANO in May 80 - when Health Director Young ordered AP&L not to vent, but AP&L vented anyway, citing the NRC and not the STATE as the controlling agent.)

What are you doing to ensure the state and not the federal government has primary say-so about such lethal venting of radioactive gases in our state?

Waiting for your reply,

Sincerely,



Russ Lacewell

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