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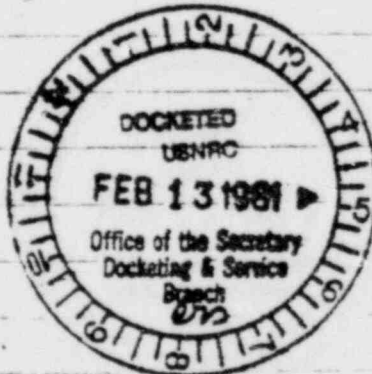
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Robert M. Lays, Esquire
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Dear Sir,

In regards to the opening of the
McGuire nuclear plant it would be
reassuring to me if prior to the
licensing hearing an Environmental
Impact statement is prepared by
Duke Power Co. I think it is only
appropriate that a statement of
this sort is fully prepared before
the possible opening of the plant.

I want to note my appreciation
for your favorable decision regarding
the re-opening of the licensing
hearings for the McGuire nuclear
station.



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