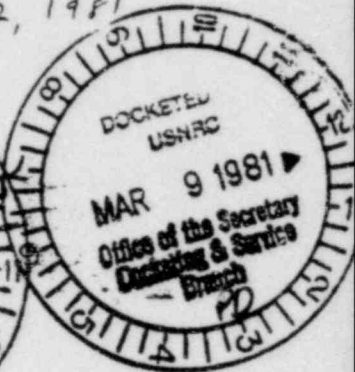


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Dear Mr. Smith, Chairman  
Atomic Safety and Licensing  
Hearings, Pa. 17101



Dear Mr. Smith:

I am writing you to request your Committee  
to authorize the return to service, 2. m. d. unit #1  
at three mile island. At present Metropolitan Edison Co.  
is buying electric power wherever it is available. That means  
buying power, the cost of which is at high rates, as the  
service available is mostly from older power plants. These  
plants may have a limited future life.

Our entire Country has permitted itself to be  
dependent on foreign sources of fuel. Should the  
source of this fuel be <sup>denied</sup> ~~denied~~ to our use, employment  
of our workers would cease or be reduced.

I feel that atomic power is an only hope, to  
meet the power needs for future energy requirements.

Very truly yours.

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