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In the Matter of
THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
(UCLA Research Reactor)
Docket No. 50-142
(Proposed Renewal of Facility License)

Dear Administrative Judges:

This letter is to respond to the Board's inquiry of March 15, 1984 concerning information reported in a Washington Post news article of March 10, 1984.

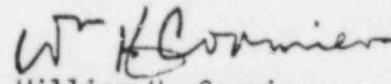
As the Board was informed in my letter of March 14, 1984, the UCLA reactor, which is currently shut down for repairs, is to remain shut down until after the summer Olympic Games. UCLA plans for Olympic Games security also include the placing of barricades to restrict vehicle access to the reactor building and the posting of armed guards at the facility during the period of the Games.

The decision that the reactor would remain shut down was made by UCLA Chancellor Charles Young during a meeting of his staff the afternoon of March 9, 1984. Earlier that day Chancellor Young and California Assemblyman Gray Davis held a press conference to announce the security measures that would be in place for the Olympics. The measures are described above and in Chancellor Young's March 8, 1984 letter to Assemblyman Davis forwarded to the Board with the letter of March 14, 1984. The possibility that the reactor would remain shut down was discussed at the press conference.

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On an unrelated matter, UCLA wishes to inform the Board that last week seven drums of heavy water (deuterium-oxide), which had been stored in the reactor high bay room, were shipped to the Savannah River Plant of the Department of Energy.

Very truly yours,


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Representing UCLA

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