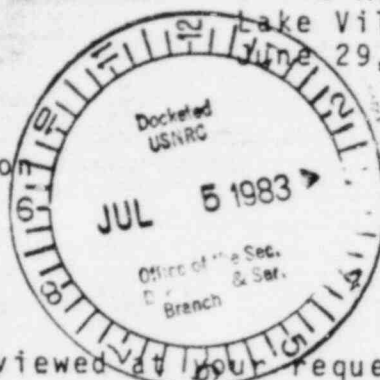


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Dear Judge Hoyt:

On June 7, 1983 I was interviewed at your request concerning your investigation of irregularities in the NRC's Office of Inspector and Auditor 1981 investigation of another NRC investigation at the William H. Zimmer nuclear power station in Moscow, Ohio.

During the course of this interview, which was transcribed by a court reporter, I provided information relative to the 1981 OIA investigation. But I also used this forum to inform the NRC about mismanagement of other OIA investigations, particularly the OIE investigation conducted at Zimmer in 1981. In light of recent congressional and DOJ criticisms of the NRC investigative program, and due to the forthcoming ASLB decision whether to hold licensing hearings, I feel that the information I provided to you should be reported immediately to the Commissioners and the ASLB panel on Zimmer. Also, as we discussed earlier I would like a copy of my transcript for my own records.

As you well know, I feel strongly that the testimony I gave would have a major impact on the decision to hold licensing hearings and perhaps trigger a wider investigation into Region III and OIA's handling of the Zimmer investigation from a safety standpoint, and also why the NRC did not vigorously pursue allegations of criminal misconduct by utility and contractor personnel at Zimmer. This second issue is very significant for the Commissioners in light of recent DOJ criticisms of NRC's performance in this area.

Thank you for your immediate attention to this serious matter.

Sincerely,

James B. McCarten
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