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February 24, 1982

James Cummings
Director, Office of Inspection
and Auditor
Nuclear Regulatory Commission
1717 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20555

Re: Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company/
Zimmer Plant

Dear Mr. Cummings:

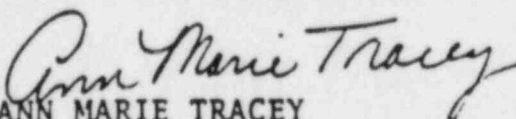
This is to confirm the conversation I had with you on February 18th and with John Sinclair on February 19, 1982.

It is my understanding that Robert Warnick, Region III Investigative Branch Chief, has confirmed our belief that there has been no formal referral to the Justice Department for prosecution. Rather, I & E is continuing its investigation and still has several areas it is pursuing, including: the qualifications of some inspectors; equipment (seismic hangars, cable trays); the procedures for design document changes; and the systems turnover program. It is also my understanding that I & E wishes to conduct additional interviews.

I greatly appreciate your obtaining this confirmation so promptly. Please advise this office immediately of any change in status.

Sincerely,

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Dear Mr. Barnes:

In response to your letter of March 19, 1982, NRC Region III expects to complete the Zimmer investigation in October of this year. The report will be prepared after that and a copy will be provided to you.

Sincerely,

Robert F. Warnick

Robert F. Warnick, Director
Enforcement and Investigation Staff

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Re: Zimmer Nuclear Power Plant

Dear Mr. Warnick:

This office has been advised that Region III of the Office of Inspections and Enforcement is still in the process of conducting an inspection at the Zimmer Nuclear Power Plant, Moscow, Ohio. As you know, because of the concerns of the NRC, a criminal investigation might impair your civil enforcement efforts. Consequently, we would appreciate your advising this office when you expect to complete your inspection and submit a final report.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Chris Barnes

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