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Dear Mr. Chairman:

I am enclosing the Committee staff critique of the statements cited by Mr. Gossick in support of his contention that it was the Commission's position that, " . . . in their view there has been no evidence to indicate that any diversion has taken place." I would appreciate your providing me the Commission's and Mr. Gossick's comments on this staff critique.

I look forward to receiving the Commission's response (and comments of individual Commissioners where appropriate) with regard to the Inquiry's Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations. I also believe it important that the Commission consider the question of whether the NRC staff erred, in light of the meetings of August 2, in not correcting testimony presented by Mr. Gossick on July 29 and August 8.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

ORRIS K. UDALL

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Enclosure