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Dear Mr. Arnold:

The Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation has issued the enclosed "Clarifying Amendment to Order for Modification of License" dated October 26, 1979. This document clarifies the Order for Modification of License issued on October 18, 1979, concerning the operation of EPICOR-II at Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit No. 2.

A copy of this document is being filed with the Office of the Federal Register for publication.

Sincerely, 

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By Order dated October 18, 1979, the NRC Staff proposed to amend Facility Operating License No. DPR-73 for the Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit 2 to provide identified license conditions and Technical Specifications relating to the operation of EPICOR-II to decontaminate intermediate-level waste water presently being stored at the facility. The Order made clear that the license amendment would not become effective until the expiration of the period during which the licensee or other person whose interest may be affected may request a hearing, or, in the event a hearing is ordered, on the date specified in an order made following such hearing. It should be clarified, however, that a hearing is not necessary prior to operation of EPICOR-II even though the amendment will not be effective until after a hearing, if one is requested and ordered, as discussed in the Memorandum and Order issued by the Commission on October 16, 1979.

Accordingly, the Order for Modification of License issued on October 18, 1979, is amended to clarify the foregoing by adding the following as the last sentence to the first paragraph of section IV:
"Even though the above amendment will not become effective immediately, a hearing is not necessary prior to operation of EPICOR-II."

Harold R. Denton
Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland
this 26th day of October, 1979