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To Forum Official Representatives:

We have organized the Forum's technical activities in response to the Three Mile Island accident under a Policy Committee on Follow-up to the Three Mile Island Accident, chaired by Byron Lee, Jr., Vice President of Commonwealth Edison. A report of this committee's activities to date is enclosed.

Sincerely,

Carl Walske
President
Report by the AIF Policy Committee on
Follow-up to the Three Mile Island Accident

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Introduction

Recognizing the long-term significance of a timely and constructive industry response to the lessons of TMI, the Atomic Industrial Forum consolidated its technical approach to these lessons within a specially constituted Policy Committee on Follow-up to the Three Mile Island Accident. Under the Chairmanship of Byron Lee, Jr., of the Commonwealth Edison Company, this technically oriented, executive-level committee is playing a major role in the closely coordinated utility/industry response to TMI. The Policy Committee membership is drawn from the supply and utility sides of the industry. A list of members is attached.

Relationship to Overall Industry Effort

Diagram 1 shows the Committee's activities in the context of the overall industry effort. In consultation on policy considerations with Floyd Lewis' Ad Hoc Nuclear Oversight Committee, and on technical insights with the Nuclear Safety Analysis Center (NSAC), the AIF Policy Committee coordinates and initiates constructive technical activities which follow the lessons of TMI, and provides the principal point of industry interaction with the NRC, especially the "Lessons Learned" Task Force, on the issues raised by the accident.

Coordination with NSAC is facilitated by attendance of Dr. E. Zebroski, Director of NSAC, or his representative at meetings of the AIF Policy Committee. Similarly, Forum President Carl Walske attends meetings of Floyd Lewis' Ad Hoc Nuclear Oversight Committee. Additionally, there is common company representation on the Lewis and Lee committees, including those of the committee chairmen, and this provides several close points of interaction.

The AIF Policy Committee originally concentrated on the short-term initiatives emanating from the NRC Staff's "Lessons Learned" Task Force. To respond to the NRC "bulletins and orders" Task Force, Owners Groups have been formed. The AIF Policy Committee endorsed this method of replying in a timely fashion to high priority NRC bulletins and orders on detailed reactor specific issues. These activities have been placed under Policy Committee cognizance through the vendor members on the AIF Policy Committee and through close liaison with Owners Group chairmen.

Pace of Committee Activities

Since its first meeting on May 23, the Policy Committee has proceeded to identify the most critical issues and to consider these