

The specific concerns which you raise in your letter will be considered by the Commission. I have asked Dr. Liverman to let you read the staff paper presenting the matter for Commission decision. If you would like to meet with members of the Commission before we take final action on this paper, we would be pleased to arrange such a meeting. We will let you and DOI know our decision as soon as possible following Commission action.

I agree with you that a joint trip to the Pacific would be in order following the Commission decision, and I propose that we use the occasion, hopefully the first week in September, for the initial presentation of our reports to the Enewetakese. Quite properly the opening remarks would be made by senior government officials. Unfortunately, I will be unable to attend personally, but an appropriate AEC representative will be designated. This would be followed by presentation by AEC and DNA teams of the AEC Task Group report and whatever material you deem appropriate to describe your proposed Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). We would give the Enewetak people about a day to develop their initial reactions to the reports. Following this, I visualize that the senior representatives would depart leaving the team

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members to conduct more detailed discussions with the people. I agree with you that the AEC guidelines and the DEIS must be consistent. In this same vein, I suggest that we and senior representatives of Interior jointly review the staff briefings about a week in advance to assure a unified U. S. position. If you concur with this concept, I suggest that members of our staffs proceed with arrangements for a joint AEC/DOD/DOI briefing and the trip.

Sincerely,

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