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Honorable Richard L. Ottinger  
Chairman, Subcommittee on Energy  
Conservation and Power  
Committee on Energy and Commerce  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

We have received your recent request for information from Atomic Energy Commission archival files dealing with radiation exposure over the period 1945-1962.

Those specific documents that were unclassified have been copied and are enclosed. The classified documents, amounting to almost 1300 pages, have been submitted to a reviewer for possible declassification. We will contact you as soon as this process is completed.

Some of the information contained in the enclosed documents may be exempt from public disclosure pursuant to Exemptions 5 and 6 of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. §§ 552(b)(5) and (6). Exemption 5 protects memoranda or letters that contain advice, opinions, or recommendations which are pre-decisional and a part of the decision-making process of the agency. Exemption 6 protects information in personnel, medical, and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. We request, therefore, that special care be taken to protect the confidentiality of these records and that you consult with the Department prior to making any decision regarding disclosure.

It is the Department's policy, to the maximum extent possible, to provide information to the public on the Department's atomic weapons activities. The Department has established the Coordination and Information Center (CIC) at the Nevada Operations Office. To date over 70,000 documents have been gathered together and placed on an electronic data base known as the RECON system. Many concerned citizens and attorneys have utilized this service. You and your staff, of course, are welcome to use this system.

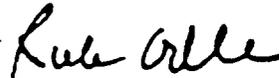
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If your staff wishes to discuss any of the documents you requested, please have them contact Dr. Donald Ross (353-5614).

If we can be of further assistance, please let me know.

Sincerely,



Robert C. Odle, Jr.  
Acting Assistant Secretary for  
Policy, Safety and Environment

Enclosures (with list)

cc: Honorable Carlos J. Moorhead  
Ranking Minority Member  
Subcommittee on Energy Conservation  
and Power  
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