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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON  
October 12, 1974

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RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL

From: William E. Timmons *PT*

TO: Senator John Pastore (D-RI)

PURPOSE: To discuss the President's veto of H. R. 15323 - the Price-Anderson Act Amendments.

DATE: Saturday, October 12, 1974.

BACKGROUND: 1. You have decided to veto the AEC amendments bill because of the objectionable Section 12.  
2. This Section would keep the bill from becoming effective until the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy submits a report to Congress on an AEC Reactor Safety Study for a 30 day review period. Justice argues that Section 12 is unconstitutional since it permits "repeal", after Presidential approval of the legislation, either by the Congress or by the Joint Committee.

TALKING POINTS: 1. I wanted to thank you very much for your help on the Mansfield amendment. As you know, this is an extremely important measure.  
2. Regarding H. R. 15323, I believe you certainly would not have accepted this kind of legislation when you were Governor of Rhode Island.  
3. The effect of Section 12 is to have me committed to the legislation before the Congress is!  
4. It is extremely important that we provide assurances to the nuclear power industry so that they can proceed with their development programs.

MORE

TALKING POINTS:  
(continued)

5. I am ready to work with you to fix this legislation so that we can provide these assurances to the nuclear power industry.

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

October 14, 1974

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MEMORANDUM FOR: BILL TIMMONS

FROM: JERRY JONES 

Your recommended telephone call of October 12th to Senator John Pastore has been returned in the President's outbox with the following comment on it:

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cc: Don Rumsfeld