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04 May 1954

Honorable Lewis E. Strauss,  
Chairman,  
Atomic Energy Commission,  
Nineteenth Street and Constitution Avenue,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Admiral Strauss:

A considerable number of the people of my state have expressed some interest in connection with the effect of radio-active dust that may have blanketed the western section of the United States as a follow-up from the hydrogen bomb tests that have been conducted in the Pacific. I am desirous of having you advise me as to whether or not any of this radio-active dust may have come as far east as the state of South Dakota and if it had or will have any effect upon human, plant, and animal life of this state.

Thanking you for this information and with best wishes,  
I am

Sincerely yours,

*Sigurd Anderson*  
Governor

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signature (Copy of reply to Secretariat)

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