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Dear Andrew

ENDURANCE

I attach this week's report.

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POWER STATION ENDURANCE

1. Coal deliveries to CEGB power stations last week were around 0.3mt for a 4 day week. Coal burn was about 0.7mt and therefore stock draw was about 0.4mt. CEGB coal stocks last Sunday night were 17.3mt, with a further 1.9mt in Scotland.
2. NCB total coal deliveries last week were 0.5mt so that about 0.2mt went to customers other than power stations.
3. Oil burn at CEGB power stations is equivalent to about 0.6mt of coal a week and last week met 37 per cent of electricity demand, compared with 4 per cent normally at this time of year.
4. The range of endurance outcomes is estimated as:

<u>Coal Deliveries</u>	<u>Oil burn (% of max)</u>	
0	<u>80%</u>	<u>100%</u>
0.3mt/week	early Oct	late Oct
	late Nov	mid Dec

0.7mt. — 180 - 182,000 tons to industry.
 Higher allowances - higher price

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