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ENDURANCE

I attach this week's report.

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POWER STATION ENDURANCE

- 1 Coal deliveries to CEGB power stations last week were 0.71mt (including non-NCB sources). Coal burn was 0.77mt and stocks fell by 0.06mt. The Board's stocks last Sunday night (11 November) were 14.69mt with a further 0.84mt at Scottish power stations.
- Total NCB deliveries last week were 0.94mt of which about 0.27mt went to customers other than power stations.
- The average rate of coal deliveries to CEGB power stations over the whole period of the strike has been 0.51mt per week. The average over the past eight weeks has been 0.70mt.
- 4 The CEGB's estimate of the range of endurance outcomes is as follows:-

Future usable coal deliveries

System Endurance

| | 90% Oil burn | 100% Oil burn |
|-------------|--------------|---------------|
| 0.30mt/week | mid Feb | early March |
| 0.35 | late Feb | early March |
| 0.40 | early March | late March |
| 0.45 | early March | early April |
| 0.50 | | Autumn 1985 |

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