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Dear Mr Turnbull,

POWER STATION ENDURANCE

I attach the latest weekly report.

Copies also go to Margaret O'Mara and
Richard Hatfield.

Yours sincerely

John Highfoot

PP M F REIDY
Private Secretary



POWER STATION ENDURANCE

1 Coal deliveries to CEGB power stations last week amounted to 0.37mt (including non-NCB sources). Coal burn was 0.77mt and stocks fell by 0.39mt. The Board's stocks on Sunday night (6 January) were 13.32mt with a further 0.68mt at Scottish power stations.

2 Total NCB deliveries last week were estimated to amount to some 0.47mt of which about 0.12mt went to customers other than power stations.

3 The average rate of deliveries to CEGB power stations over the whole period of the strike has been 0.52mt. The average over the past eight weeks has been 0.58mt.

4 The CEGB's estimate of the range of endurance outcomes is as follows:-

Future usable coal deliveries

System Endurance

	<u>80% Oil burn</u>	<u>100% Oil burn</u>
0.30mt/week	early April	late June
0.40	late April	mid November
0.45	-	Winter 1985/6

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