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POWER STATION AND INDUSTRIAL ENDURANCE

I have seen the recommendations of the Secretary of State for Energy in his minute of ^{attached} 23 June on action to enhance the endurance of coal burning industry in the event of a miners' strike.

2 I hope that you will feel able to agree to these proposals, which seem to me important both because of the benefits they would bring to the industries concerned and their customers; and also because I think it is important that, if we have to face a strike, we should be able to say that we have helped industry to help itself, as well as the economy in general, through the special discounts offered.

3 I am copying this minute to recipients of Peter Walker's minute.

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28 June 1983

Department of Trade and Industry