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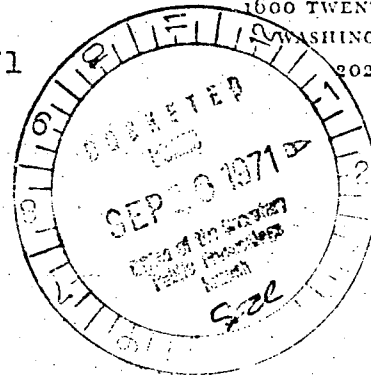
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Hon. James Schlessinger  
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Washington, D.C. 20545

In Re: Consolidated Edison Co. of New York, Inc.  
Indian Point Station Unit No. 2  
Docket No. 50-247

Dear Chairman Schlessinger:

I have today received a copy of a letter written to you by Milton Musicus, Chairman of the Interdepartmental Committee on Public Utilities of the City of New York. The letter deals with the Indian Point Unit No. 2 licensing proceeding.

Mr. Musicus did not send this letter to me as attorney for the Hudson River Fishermen's Association, a party to this proceeding; it was requested by me after I read about it in the newspapers. The letter seems to me to be an effort to enter this proceeding without taking on the burdens of being a party to the proceeding.

Undoubtedly the City of New York has an interest in the licensing of this plant. Had it entered this proceeding eight or nine months ago it might well have had an important effect in reconciling the disputes between Con Edison and the Intervenors. It might still have such an effect.

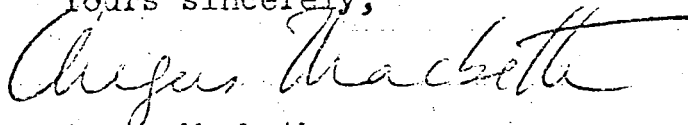
The Fishermen would not oppose the intervention of the City of New York if it wished to become a party to this proceeding. If the City were a party to the proceeding, it might well help to devise or develop a solution to the fish kill problem. But the Fishermen do believe that pleading such as that made by the City of New York should take place within the established hearing process which allows for a fair examination of the views of all parties.

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As stated in the brief of August 27, 1971, any other course will make the Commission the target of appeals for special consideration by anyone and everyone who feels aggrieved or believes that he deserves special treatment.

Yours sincerely,



Angus Macbeth

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