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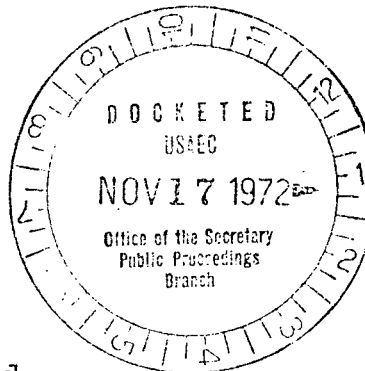
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Re: Consolidated Edison Company
of New York, Inc.
Indian Point Unit No. 2
AEC Docket No. 50-247

Dear Mr. Chairman:

We received today a copy of Mr. Macbeth's letter of November 12, 1972. To the extent we are able to understand the points Mr. Macbeth seeks to make, it is apparent that the intervenors have a number of fundamental misapprehensions about the nature of this hearing, the evidence which the Applicant has submitted herein, the roles of the various parties and, indeed, basic principles of administrative law.

The essential purpose of the prehearing conference scheduled for November 22, 1972 is to rule on legal issues, as appropriate, and to define the factual issues for this hearing. To the extent that statements made in Mr. Macbeth's letter require a response by Applicant, we will be prepared to address such matters at the prehearing conference.

Very truly yours,

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