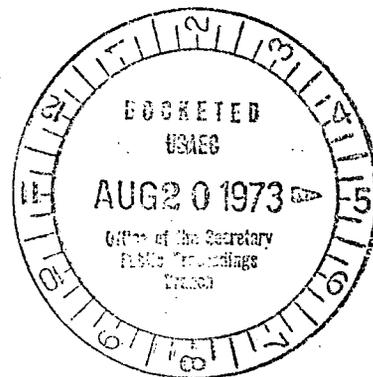


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BEFORE THE  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION



In the Matter of

CONSOLIDATED EDISON COMPANY )  
OF NEW YORK (Indian Point )  
Unit No. 2) )

Docket No. 50-247

CITIZENS COMMITTEE FOR PROTECTION  
OF THE ENVIRONMENT  
STATEMENT OF SUPPORT FOR  
STAFF MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

The Citizens Committee for Protection of the Environment herewith joins in the Motion of the Regulatory Staff for an extension of time to file exceptions to the Licensing Board's Initial Decision of August 9, 1973.

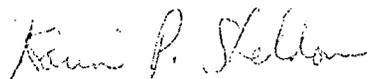
As the Staff's Motion indicated, the Initial Decision of the Licensing Board was reached without knowledge or consideration of the position taken by the State of New York in its August 8, 1973 letter that the water quality certificate issued by the Department of Environmental Conservation is invalid. The new information supplied by the State on this issue may significantly alter the Board's conclusions as to compliance with procedural requirements for both testing and full term operation of the plant. It is therefore proper and necessary that the Board have a full opportunity to evaluate the position of the State with

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respect to its Initial Decision, the full term license and the Applicant's Motion.

It is noted that the Applicant has filed a request for a reduction of the time limits permitted for consideration of Applicant's exception to the Initial Decision. (page 3, Applicant's Exception to the Initial Decision...and Motion for Reduction of Time, August 16, 1973). In view of the current state of confusion caused by the filing of numerous papers by all parties, and the question raised by the Staff's Motion for Extension of Time, it would be prudent, in our view, to grant the extension to afford all parties the opportunity to resolve the issues in an orderly manner.

Respectfully submitted,



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Dated: August 20, 1973