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

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to 10 CFR 2.754, there is enclosed a copy of "Applicant's Proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law in the Form of a Proposed Initial Decision for a Full-Term, Full-Power Operating License," dated May 17, 1973. There are also enclosed a copy of "Applicant's Memorandum in Support of Proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law" and a copy of "Applicant's Response to Memorandum of the Attorney General of the State of New York Regarding the Applicability of State Laws to the Operation of Indian Point Unit No. 2," both dated May 17, 1973.

Attachments A and B to the proposed form of operating license (radiological and environmental technical specifications) are not forwarded herewith. Applicant intends that the radiological technical specifications

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be substantially in the form annexed to Amendment No. 2 to license DPR-26. Applicant has submitted proposed environmental technical specifications to the Staff for its review by letter dated April 30, 1973, and copies have been furnished to the Board and the parties. It is anticipated that proposed environmental technical specifications will be submitted to the Board by the Staff for inclusion in the operating license.

On transcript pages 11,421-23 Chairman Jensch asked for a statement of criteria Applicant proposes be applied for determining action to be taken on the basis of information obtained from the Hudson River ecology study. Applicant has the Chairman's request under advisement and we will provide a response shortly. In addition, we will submit the supplemental information requested of Dr. Stevens at the last hearing session concerning hatchery experience as soon as practicable.

In response to the Chairman's letter of April 30, 1973 concerning the status of the plant, initial criticality was scheduled to take place during April. The results of the Reactor Coolant System hydrostatic integrity test, however, revealed several minor leaks in valve packings and flanges. Although many such minor leaks can be tolerated as acceptable identified leakage in accordance with Technical Specification limits, Con Edison deemed that it would be prudent to eliminate such leakage prior to criticality. In addition, one two-inch valve in the CVCS charging line had a minor leak through two stud holes and was replaced. One vent assembly in the RHR system required weld repair. These corrective actions for minor leaks are expected to be completed within the next few days. The Reactor Coolant System heatup and hydrostatic test will be repeated, and if it is successful, criticality will take place within one week thereafter.

Very truly yours,

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