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Docket No. 50-247

Honorable John G. Dow House of Representatives

Dear Mr. Dow:

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Thank you for your letter of June 1, 1972, on the AEC Draft Environmental Statement on the Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc., Indian Point Unit No. 2. In conformance with our procedures and as specified in the Council on Environmental Quality Guidelines, your comments will be considered in the preparation of the Final Environmental Statement for Indian Point Unit No. 2.

Although the AEC in preparing this statement has studied the particular environment on which the plant will have an impact, our present position, as described in the Draft Statement, is subject to revision based upon the many comments of Federal, State and local agencies, as well as comments such as yours.

Since we are presently fulfilling NEPA requirement of preparing the Final Environmental Statement in light of many comments received, I am not in the position to report the final decision of the AEC with respect to the cooling water system. I can state that the AEC shares your concern about the continued performance of the Hudson River as a productive estuarine fishery.

Sincerely,

Original signed by A. Giambusso

A. Giambusso, Deputy Director for Reactor Projects Directorate of Licensing

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