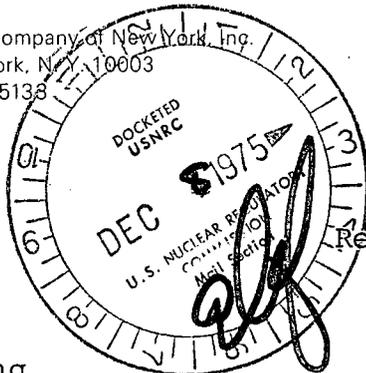


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Indian Point Unit No. 3  
Docket No. 50-286



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Dear Mr. DeYoung

In accordance with my letter of December 5, 1975 concerning the Dames & Moore report of the investigation of the on-site fault system at Indian Point, Con Edison's position, based upon our appraisal of this report and the review by the Panel, is as follows:

1. The report represents the satisfactory completion of the scope of work<sup>1/</sup> for the required analyses as discussed with and agreed by the Regulatory Staff at the meeting of July 22, 1975.
2. Sufficient investigations have been carried out and reported to make a determination of the minimum age of the subject faults.
3. No evidence has been found of movement of the on-site faults at or near the ground surface at least once within the past 35,000 years or of a recurring nature within the past 500,000 years.

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1. to immediately determine whether or not there is any evidence of recent displacement along the fault on site;
2. to explore the possible relationship of the fault on site to any other significant faults in the region; and
3. to date, absolutely or relatively, the fault on site and any others found to be associated with it or alternatively, generate a sufficient weight of circumstantial evidence to resolve questions which may be raised by government agencies concerned with the safety of these faults.

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4. No evidence has been found for the on-site faults of a structural relationship to a capable fault according to characteristics (1) or (2) of Paragraph III(g) of 10CFR100, Appendix A such that movement on one could be reasonably expected to be accompanied by movement on the other.<sup>2/</sup>

Furthermore, it is Con Edison's position that based on the available literature and the current data from Con Edison's microseismic network, no evidence has been found of macroseismicity, instrumentally determined with records of sufficient precision, to demonstrate a direct relationship with the on-site faults.

Very truly yours



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It is noted that the capability of a related structure, the Ramapo Fault, is an issue in another proceeding (Atomic Safety and Licensing Appeal Board Pre-Hearing Conference Order, October 17, 1975, Dockets Nos. 50-3, 50-247 and 50-286).