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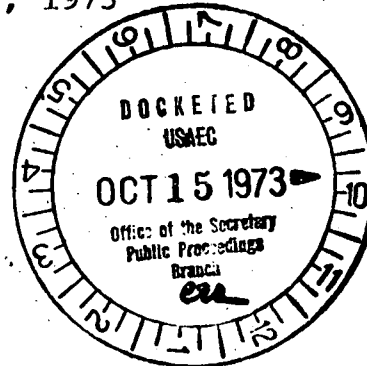
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Re: Consolidated Edison Company
of New York, Inc.
Indian Point Station, Unit
No. 3
Docket No. 50-286

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Thank you for your letter of October 4, 1973, inquiring about the scheduling of a further pre-hearing conference in the above-entitled proceeding.

As you know, the Regulatory Staff's Draft Environmental Statement has not yet been published. I am advised that it is being printed and should be made public early next week. Applicant does not believe that it would be productive to have another conference until the parties have had an opportunity to review the DES and to exchange interrogatories and requests for information in light of its contents. In addition, the possibility of a stipulation concerning incorporation of portions of the Indian Point 2 record will require further evaluation based on the content of the DES.

We believe that it is desirable to allow about six weeks following publication of the DES for the parties to take further steps to exchange information and sharpen the issues. Accordingly, we suggest a second prehearing conference be scheduled for either November 30 or December

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3, subject, of course, to the convenience of the Board.

Sincerely,

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