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Dear Dick:

Now that a review of the Appeal Board Decision on Indian Point Unit No. 2 has been completed by you and your team members at ORNL, we will need to complete the Final Environmental Statement for Unit No. 3 within a reasonable time period.

Both the Appeal Board and the Licensing Board in their decision on Unit No. 2 have identified areas in which the staff should improve its position on the environmental impact of operation of the plants. Some of the criticisms dealt with the conservatism of the values for parameters used in the various models to predict potential impacts. Since the Appeal Board decision requires that realistic values be used for environmental impacts, we want to make it abundantly clear in the FES the justification for whatever parameters we select for use in models to predict future impacts. I believe that we should compare the results from the applicant's and staff's models to determine which model best simulates reality of the various impacts. In addition, where actual measurements have been taken on the river and described in the semi-annual operating reports, or the ecological reports from Con Ed, we should so present our assessment of the empirical results in terms of the models used. Therefore, would you please identify specific areas on impacts in the FES that need to be revised because of the two decisions and submit a proposed schedule by return mail to complete the FES. In the identification of the sections in the FES which need to be revised because of the two decisions, please indicate which sections should be included in the FES and which ones could possibly be submitted as separate testimonies.

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Because of the pending purchase of Unit No. 3 by the Power Authority of the State of New York (PASNY), we probably will need to revise Chapter X - Need for Power. This is particularly true since 75% of the power from Unit No. 3 has to be used for public purposes. Thus, PASNY will need to provide us specific information for the use of power from Unit No. 3. Please submit to me as soon as possible a list of questions we can send to PASNY in the areas of need for power for Unit No. 3.

Sincerely,

/s/

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