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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
Before the
ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD
Administrative Law Panel:
James P. Gleason, Chairman
Dr. Thomas S. Elleman
Thomas D. Murphy

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In the Matter of)
) Docket No. 50-029-LA
) ASLBP No. 98-736-01-LA
YANKEE ATOMIC ELECTRIC COMPANY)
)
(Yankee Nuclear Power Station))

CITIZENS AWARENESS NETWORK'S SUPPORT FOR NEW ENGLAND
COALITION ON NUCLEAR POLLUTION, INC.'S OPPOSITION TO YANKEE
ATOMIC ELECTRIC COMPANY'S MOTIONS TO STRIKE AND FOR
CONDITIONAL LEAVE TO REPLY, AND A PROPOSED ORDER RELATING TO
THE MOTIONS AND RELATED ISSUES BEFORE THIS PANEL

Citizens Awareness Network, Inc. (CAN) hereby enters its Support for New England Coalition on Nuclear Pollution, Inc.'s (NECNP's) Opposition to YAEC's motions to strike and for conditional leave to reply (May 7, 1998). CAN bases its support on the Declaration of Deborah B. Katz, president and pro se representative for CAN in this matter, attached hereto as Exhibit CE¹. CAN incorporates by reference the facts and law contained in the attached declaration and the matters it incorporates. In lieu of an attached proposed form of order, CAN incorporates NECNP's (Proposed) Order by reference.

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CAN urges the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel (Panel) in this case to issue an order similar to the one proposed by NECNP. CAN takes the position, due to financial hardship, that the Panel should first issue its decision on petitioners' standing. CAN contends that this Panel has all of the information it needs to make the decision on standing. CAN understands the NRC rules to permit all of the filing made so far in this case except the filings which YAEC made to strike the replies. CAN contends that YAEC's replies to the petitioners' replies contain nothing which YAEC did not already get to place before the Panel. In addition, YAEC also tries to get the Panel to consider new legal arguments and theories with each of its new filings. The Panel should put a stop to this costly and unnecessary motion practice by YAEC.

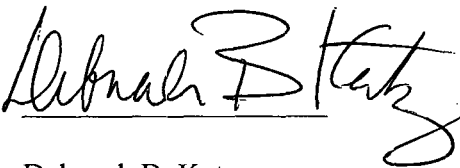
It would also be helpful to everyone involved if the Panel made its decision on standing and issued a order like the one NECNP proposed. That way, if there is going to be a hearing, we can all get on with the process in a way that will be fair, efficient, and economical. CAN supports NECNP's proposed order because it tries to make this process fair and efficient. With the same aim, CAN supports NECNP's Opposition, and urges the Panel to make the decision on standing based on the documents which it reasonably has before it under the NRC rules: the petitions, answers, amended petitions, answers, and reply. Along with the standing decision, the Panel should issue some guidelines if we are all going to be permitted to go forward to a hearing in this case.

CONCLUSION

NECNP's Opposition provides this Panel with adequate grounds in law and fact to deny YAEC's pending motions in this matter. The (Proposed) Order NECNP provided to this Panel is consistent with the law and facts set forth in the Opposition and supporting declaration. For the sake of economy and efficiency, this Panel should issue its ruling on standing and an appropriate Order on procedural matters in the event petitioners are found to have standing to go forward with presentation of contention to this Panel. The (Proposed) Order of NECNP would be appropriate and helpful to all parties in the event this Panel allows us to go forward..

WHEREFORE, CAN respectfully requests that the relief NECNP asked for in this matter be granted, and the (Proposed) Order, or one containing such additional relief as the Panel sees fit to add, be issued as an Order of this Panel along with its decision on the matter of petitioners' standing.

Respectfully submitted:



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DECLARATION OF DEBORAH B. KATZ, PRESIDENT OF CITIZENS
AWARENESS NETWORK, INC.

I, Deborah B. Katz, declare the following to be true and correct:

1. My name is Deborah B. Katz. I am president of Citizens Awareness Network, Inc. (CAN), and I am representing CAN pro se in this matter.
2. I have reviewed the Declaration attached to the May 7, 1998, filing with the Panel by the New England Coalition on Nuclear Pollution (NECNP).
3. I completely agree with the Declaration of Jonathan M. Block, attorney for NECNP. CAN hereby adopts the facts and law contained in that declaration as our own in this one.
4. CAN currently has little financial resources for participation in this matter.
5. CAN takes the position that the Panel in this case has enough information to make a decision on standing for each of the petitioners.
6. CAN takes the position that it is economical for the Panel to make this decision now.
7. CAN also takes the position that it is important for the Panel, if it decides to allow petitioners to go forward in the hearing process, to issue procedural guidelines such

as those proposed by NECNP. Such guidelines will insure fairness to any and all parties, and will less the burden placed upon each and upon the Panel filings which just repeat the same argument.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

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I, Deborah Katz, pro se representative of the Citizens Awareness Network Inc., do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that copies of the within documents have on this day 11th of May 1998, been served pursuant to 10 CFR 2.701 upon the following persons:

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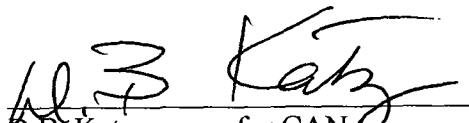
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