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SUBJECT: Requests partial reconsideration of NRC 970529, public disclosure determination re util response to NRC request for addl info for EA 97-139. Encl withheld, per 10CFR2.790(a)(4).

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Reference: PLA-4625, R.G. Byram to C.W. Hehl, "Response to NRC Request For Additional Information Regarding EA No. 97-139," dated May 16, 1997.

Dear Mr. Hehl:

The purpose of this letter is to request partial reconsideration of the NRC's May 29, 1997 public disclosure determination regarding Pennsylvania Power & Light Company's (PP&L) response to the NRC's request for additional information regarding EA No. 97-139. Attached to this letter is a redacted copy of the PP&L response which protects personal information the disclosure of which would identify PP&L employees and result in an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. This information is exempt from public disclosure under 10 CFR 2.790(a)(6). In addition, if this information is made public, future PP&L audit investigations may be hindered by individuals being less willing to cooperate with PP&L audit investigations fearing that the substance of their statements would become public. Because PP&L normally makes its audit reports available to the NRC, disclosure of the redacted portion of the PP&L response could result in the NRC receiving less information in the future. Therefore, the redacted portions of the PP&L response are also exempt under 10 CFR 2.790(a)(4).

We appreciate the opportunity to discuss with you in our meeting on June 12 the initiatives contained in this letter on improving our Nuclear Safety Concerns program and our on-going efforts to improve our process for investigation of issues. We plan on providing a follow-up letter to provide status on our efforts by July 25, 1997.

Please call if you have additional questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,


G. T. Jones

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