

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION

In the Matter of

Docket No. 50-289 and
50-320

METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY, et al.

(Three Mile Island)

Objections of the Citizens for
a Safe Environment and the
Environmental Coalition on
Nuclear Power to Construction of
the Juniata Lines and Request for
Hearing

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1. On April 10, 1973, the United States Atomic Energy Commission published a Notice concerning the allowance by Metropolitan Edison Company, et al. ("Applicants") to construct the Juniata transmission lines unless objections were received by May 10, 1973 by any aggrieved party.

2. The Citizens for a Safe Environment and the Environmental Coalition on Nuclear Power ("Intervenors") are parties intervenors in the proceedings concerning the granting of the applicant an operating license for Unit 1 at Three Mile Island.

3. No Hearing has been held in accordance with the AEC's Rules of practice and the National Environmental Policy Act concerning the aforesaid proposed operating license.

4. The proposed construction of the Juniata Line would affect the eventual decision reached on the NEPA review of the operating license application in that additional irretrievable commitment of substantial resources and expenditures would effect the ultimate decision to be made in balancing the environmental harm, in a cost/benefit analysis, with the economic costs of abandonment of the Three Mile Island, Unit 1, project.

5. Accordingly, a determination that the applicant may continue the construction of the Juniata Line without a detailed hearing on the irretrievable commitment of substantial resources and a cost/benefit analysis under the National Environmental Policy Act would prejudice Intervenor's rights, particularly their right to due process by not affording them a full and meaningful hearing on the aforementioned considerations.

6. The determinations statements by the staff in its review of this matter have not been subject to examination or review in hearing process, and intervenors object to the conclusions therein and request the opportunity to examine fully the basis for the conclusions and statements through an evidentiary hearing.

7. Intervenor request a full and meaningful hearing concerning the proposed construction of the Juniata Line and a NEPA review of said proposal and application.

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