

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

October 24, 1979

Ms. Marilyn Shineflug Illinois Safe Energy Alliance (I.S.E.A.) P.O. Box 469 Antioch, Illinois 60002

> In the Matter of General Electric Company (GE Morris Operation Spent Fuel Storage Facility) Docket No. 70-1308 (Renewal of SNM-1265)

Dear Ms. Shineflug:

I am writing in response to your letter of October 3, 1979, to the Secretary of the Commission, which was acknowledged by the Secretary on October 9, 1979. In your letter, you request an opportunity to make a limited appearance at the public hearing to be held regarding the application by General Electric Company (GE) for renewal of its license for the Morris Operation Spent Fuel Storage Facility. You also request to be informed of the date and location of the hearings to be conducted with respect to the GE Morris facility.

Persons desiring to make a limited appearance statement are permitted to do so at the discretion of the presiding officer. In practice, the presiding officer usually inquires early on the first day of the initial prehearing conference or hearing whether there are any individuals in attendance who wish to make limited appearance statements. In most cases, limited appearance statements are heard, or incorporated in the record as if read, only on the first day. However, we would note that the presiding officer has considerable discretion as to limited appearance statements, and in particular as to when such statements may be offered.

Since no date has yet been set for the prehearing conference or hearing, we cannot now advise you when you should plan to appear to make your statement. When that information becomes available, the Office of the Secretary will convey it to you promptly. Should it turn out that you are not able to attend the first day of the prehearing conference or hearing, we would recommend that you so advise Chairman Goodhope of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, 3320 Estelle Terrace, Wheator Maryland 20906.

Should you propose to have written material incorporated in the record as part of your limited appearance statement, please address your proposal to

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the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board at the time you make your limited appearance. It would be helpful if you have on hand at that time extra copies of any such written material to give to the court reporter. About thirty copies should meet the reporter's needs.

We welcome your participation. Please advise if we can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,

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Marjorie Ulman Rothschild Counsel for NRC Staff

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