UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



In the Matter of:

SACRAMENTO MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT

(Rancho Seco Nuclear Generating Station)

Docket No. 50-312

ORDER

The California Energy Commission, a party to this proceeding as the representative of an interested state under 10 CFR 2.715(c), submitted on October 24, 1979, a "Restatement of Issues of Concern and Request for Clarification of Ruling," as a result of this Board's Order Ruling on Scope and Contentions, dated (Cober 5, 1979, and two motions. The first motion requests reconsideration or, in the alternative, certification to the Commission of our decision in our Order Ruling on Scope and Contentions precluding emergency response issues from consideration in this proceeding. The second motion seeks reconsideration of the schedule the Board previously established for completion of discovery and commencement of evidentiary hearings in this proceeding.

The Restatement and the two motions of the California Energy
Commission raise important matters which require detailed and careful
consideration by this Board. We have scheduled a prehearing conference in this proceeding for November 7, 1979, in Sacramento, California,
to discuss the status of this proceeding and to make further preparation
for evidentiary hearings. Because of the significance of the filings
of the California Energy Commission and the effect which the rulings
of this Board on them may have on the ultimate disposition of this

proceeding, we direct the parties to address each of these filings at the November 7 prehearing conference. While we direct the parties to address these filings at the November 7 prehearing conference, we do not preclude the submission of written responses to the filings of the California Energy Commission by any interested party to this proceeding as permitted under 10 CFR 2.730.

The Board articipates ruling on certain of the filings of the California Energy Commission shortly after conclusion of the prehearing conference.

It is so ordered.

ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

Michael L. Glaser Chairman

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland, on October 30, 1979.

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