NRC FUBLIC DOCUMENT ROOM

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



BEFORE THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

In the Matter of	5			
HOUSTON LIGHTING & POWER COMPANY	555	Docket	No.	50-466
(Allens Creek Nuclear Generating Station, Unit	555			
No. 1)	6			

APPLICANT'S RESPONSE TO JOHN F. DOHERTY'S MOTION TO COMPEL DISCOVERY

Applicant files this response to the motion of John F. Doherty (Intervenor) to compel Applicant to provide certain documents. These documents were requested by Mr. Doherty on July 17, 1979, and Applicant objected to the production of these documents for the reasons stated in its response filed on August 10, 1979. Mr. Doherty's motion to compel is deficient and should be denied in the aspects discussed below.

Mr. Doherty requests production of NEDO-20566, which is a document entitled "General Electric Company Analytical Model for Loss of Coolant Analysis in Accordance with 10 C.F.R. 50 Appendix K, Amendment No. 3, Effect of Steam Environment on BWR Core Spray Distribution" and deals solely with core spray distribution phenomena. Intervenor's claim of need for the document stems solely from the assertion that "knowing the orientation of core spray will acquaint

1208 003 7910250361

intervenor of local effects and differences in the core under LPCI operating conditions." The LPCI system, however, is in \neg way associated with the core spray provided by the High Pressure and Low Pressure Core Spray Systems and is not discussed in NEDO-20566. The LPCI system, a subsystem of the RHR system, merely pumps water directly into the core through piping entering the Reactor Vessel through nozzles (not spargers) completely separate in configuration and function from the core spray systems. [Compare PSAR Sections 6.3.2.2.3 and 6.3.2.2.4.] Applicant submits that there is no connection between core spray and LPCI and Mr. Doherty has made absolutely no showing of any relationship. Accordingly, this document is not related to any admitted contention and Mr. Doherty's motion should be denied as to NEDO-20566.

Applicant also objected to supplying NEDO-10329 on the grounds that it is not related to any admitted contention. Intervenor claims that this document, entitled "Loss-of-Coolant Accident and Emergency Core Cooling Models for General Electric Boiling Water Reactors", is needed because 'LPCI is part of the ECCS, hence the LPCI is part of an ECCS model, and the contention does deal with LOCA. . ." However, Intervenor's contention deals with the reactivity inserted by cold water injected by the LPCI system. The model described by NEDO-10329 is a thermal-hydraulic model and does not account for reactivity effects at all. Hence, there is no relationship between the admitted LPCI Contention and this

-2-

1208 004

NEDO. Consequently, Mr. Doherty's motion should be denied as to NEDO-10329.

Applicant has reconsidered its position on the request for "Supplement No. 1 to the Technical Report on Densification of General Electric Reactor Fuel" and will make the document available.

Respectfully submitted,

OF COUNSEL:

1. 10

BAKER & BOTTS 3000 One Shell Plaza Houston, Texas 77002 J. Gregory Copeland C. Thomas Biddle, Jr. Charles G. Thrash, Jr. 3000 One Shell Plaza Houston, Texas 77002

LOWENSTEIN, NEWMAN, REIS, AXELRAD & TOLL 1025 Connecticut Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20036 Jack R. Newman Robert H. Culp 1025 Connecticut Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C.

ATTORNEYS FOR APPLICANT HOUSTON LIGHTING & POWER COMPANY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

BEFORE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

In the Matter of	5	
HOUSTON LIGHTING & POWER COMPANY	S Docket No. 50-466	6
(Allens Creek Nuclear Generating Station, Unit 1)	s	

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing Applicant's Response to John F. Doherty's Motion to Compel Discovery in the above-captioned proceeding were served on the following by deposit in the United States mail, postage prepaid, or by hand-delivery this 18th day of September, 1979.

Sheldon J. Wolfe, Esq., Chairman Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D. C. 20555

Dr. E. Leonard Cheatum Route 3, Box 350A Watkinsville, Georgia 30677

Mr. Gustave A. Linenberger Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D. C. 20555

Mr. Chase R. Stephens Docketing and Service Section Office of the Secretary of the Commission U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D. C. 20555

R. Gordon Gooch, Esq. Baker & Botts 1701 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W. Washington, D. C. 20006 Richard Lowerre, Esq. Assistant Attorney General for the State of Texas P. O. Box 12548 Capitol Station Austin, Texas 78711

Hon. LeRoy Valicek, Mayor City of Wallis, Texas 77485

Hon. LeRoy Grebe County Judge, Austin County P. O. Box 767 Bellville, Texas 77481

Atomic Safety and Licensing Appeal Board U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission

Washington, D. C. 20555

Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission

Washington, D. C. 20555

1208 006

Steve Schinki, Esq. Staff Counsel U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D. C. 20555

Mr. Carro Hinderstein 8739 Link Terrace Houston, Texas 77025

. . .

Mr. James M. Scott, Jr. 8302 Albacore Houston, Texas 77074

Mr. D. Marrack 420 Mulberry Lane Bellaire, Texas 77401

Mr. Wayne E. Rentfro P. O. Box 1335 Rosenberg, Texas 77471 Mr. John F. Doherty 4438 1/2 Leeland Houston, Texas 77023

Ms. Brenda McCorkle 5140 Darnell Houston, Texas 77074

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Framson 4022 Waynesboro Drive Houston, Texas 77025

Mr. H. Potthoff 7200 Shady Villa, No. 110 Houston, Texas 77055

C. Thomas Biddle, Jr.