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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Atomic Safety and Licensing Board



In the matter of Puget Sound Power and Light Company, <u>et al.</u>

Docket Nos: 50-522 50-523

(Skagit Nuclear Power Project, Units 1 and 2)

Order for Conference

The board is hereby calling a conference of counsel for all of the parties, including intervenors, for Tuesday and Wednesday, January 16 and 17, 1979, beginning each day at 9:30 a.m. The conference will be held at Room 3086, New Federal Building, 915 Second Avenue, Seattle, Washington 98174.

The purpose of the conference is to take stock of the status of the proceeding, to facilitate planning for the next steps in the proceeding by the parties and the board, and to provide orientation to the board's new chairman. The board is conscious of the lapsed time since the beginning of the proceeding and the extensive evidentiary hearings which have already taken place and is determined to move ahead to a conclusion of the proceeding with all deliberate speed.

So that the conference may be of maximum benefit, counsel for each party is requested to submit to the board, in specific terms, a list

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of the principal issues, together with major subordinate issues thereunder, which require board decision. The list of principal issues should be divided into three categories according to submitting counsel's opinion, namely, (1) issues presently ripe for board decision with no need for further evidentiary hearing; (2) issues on which further evidentiary hearing is required before board decision is appropriate; and (3) issues on which no evidentiary hearings have been held. Citations to the record of evidence on each principal or major subordinate issue about which there has been evidence of record should be included in the listing of issues.

Counsel for the new intervenors, namely, the Upper Skagit Indian Tribe, the Sauk-Suiattle Indian Tribe, and the Swinomish Tribal Community are requested to define with reasonable specificity the contentions within the scope of the present proceeding which they wish to be adjudicated by the board. The enumeration of such contentions should include citations of evidence pertinent thereto which may already be in the record of the proceeding.

The foregoing requested material should be forwarded to the members of the board so that it may be in the hands of the board members on or before Wednesday, January 11, 194

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On Thursday, January 18, 1979, the board members anticipate a visit to the proposed plant site with the applicant as their host. Representatives of parties may join the visit but there is no requirement for doing so. Arrangements for the visit will be discussed at the scheduled conference.

The mailing addresses and telecopy communication terminals of the board members are:

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Valentine B. Deale, Esq. Suite 504 1001 Connecticut Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20036 (202) 331-1243 For verification of receipt of telecopied messages, (202) 296-8100 and ask for Miss Martha Moody. Dated this 22 day of December 1978 at Washington, D.C.

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ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD By Deale, Chairman Valentine B.