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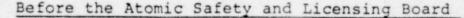
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In the Matter of

PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRIC & GAS CO. (Salem Nuclear Generating Station, Unit #1) Docket No. 50-272

Proposed Issuance of Amendment to Facility Operating License No. DPR-70

RESPONSE TO THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD ORDER DATED APRIL 18, 1979

On April 18, 1979, the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board issued an Order presumably pursuant to Rule 2.752(c) or other applicable rule which provides for the submission of evidence addressed to the following questions:

- "1. To what extent did the accident at Three Mile Island affect the spent fule pool at that site?
- 2. If there had been an explosion or 'meltdown' at Three Mile Island, what affect would that have had upon the spent fuel pool? To what extent would it have mattered how much spent fuel was present at the pool?
- 3. If an accident such as the one at Three Mile Island occurred at Salem, to what extent would the accident affect the spent fuel pool? If an explosion or 'meltdown' occurred at Salem, to what extent would it have mattered how much spent fuel was present at the pool at Salem? "

The Intervenor, Township of Lower Alloways Creek is in receipt of a technical report dated February 27, 1979 which deals with

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the accident hazards of spent fuel storage at the Salem Nuclear Power Plant. This technical report is relevant to Question #3.

The proponent of this testimony is Dr. Richard E. Webb, and Dr. Webb's qualifications are attached to his testimony.

Respectfurit submitted, ar

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