UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

In the Matter of

Proposed Rulemaking: Storage and Disposal of Waste Re: Federal Register Notice, 44 Fed. Reg. 61372,

October 25, 1979

Notice of Intent to Participate

Christa-Maria, Box 222, Charlevoix, Michigan 49720, hereby gives notice of her intent to participate in the above captioned rulemaking proceedings. Christa-Maria is an intervenor before the NRC in the licensing proceedings to consider the request of Consumers Power Company to expand the capacity of the spent fuel storage pool at the Big Rock Point nuclear plant. (In the Matter of Consumers Power Company (Big Rock Point Nuclear Power Station) Docket No. 50-155) Among her concerns is the fact that, in the absence of available off-site storage or disposal methods for spent fuel, the Big Rock site may become by default a long term waste depository. Christa-Maria has contended in the Big Rock proceedings that the consequences of indefinite post-license on-site storage must be assessed before a license amendment allowing additional spent fuel to be stored on site can be granted. If such an assessment is not made, the Commission cannot make the requisite findings that the public health and safety will be protected for the time period required for on-site storage. Christa-

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Maria has also requested the Commission to reconsider its decision not to allow this generic issue to be addressed in individual licensing proceedings, pending conclusion of the rulemaking proceedings. (Motion of Christa-Maria for Reconsideration of Decision of November 7, 1979).

Christa-Maria takes the position that there is no assurance that radioactive wastes generated by nuclear plants can be safely disposed of, or that disposal or offsite storage will be available before the expiration of existing facility licenses. Christa-Maria also takes the position that there is no assurance that wastes can be safely stored on-site past the expiration of existing facility licenses until off-site disposal or storage is available.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE OF APPEARANCE

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