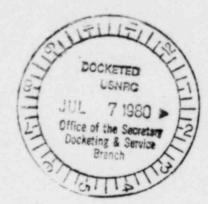
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

Ivan W. Smith, Chairman Dr. Walter H. Jordan Dr. Linda W. Little



In the Matter of

Docket No. 50-289 SP
METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY

(Three Mile Island Nuclear
Station, Unit No. 1)

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER (July 3, 1980)

Union of Concerned Scientists' Motion dated June 27,

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1980 to extend the time for discovery on the SER from

mailed service on July 1, to hand-delivered service on

July 7 is not opposed by the licensee or the NRC staff and

is granted. UCS's SER discovery requests shall also be hand
delivered to the board chairman on July 7.

THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

Ivan W. Smith, Chairman

Bethesda, Maryland July 3, 1980

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Counsel's certificate that the June 27 motion was handdelivered to the chairman on that date is incorrect. The
chairman received only a copy of the motion from the NRC
Secretary by NRC internal mail on July 3. A better procedure for nearly late requests for time extensions is to
make the request to the chairman timely by telephone after

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the requestin, party has determined whether or not the request is opposed. Having failed to receive a timely ruling on the motion, UCS should have either served its discovery requests or sought the ruling by telephone. Counsel for UCS has been informed of the extension today by telephone.