

## UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

July 18, 1980

VIA EXPRESS MAIL

Susan N. Sekuler, Esq. Assistant Attorney General Environmental Control Division 188 West Randolph, Suite 2315 Chicago, IL 60601

In the Matter of
General Electric Company
(GE Morris Operation Spent Fuel Storage Facility)
Docket No. 70-1308
(Renewal of SNM-1265).

Dear Ms. Sekuler:

As I stated in our telephone conversation of July 16, 1980 and in my conversation of July 17, 1980, with Mr. Van Vranken, the NRC Staff objects to Illinois' notices of deposition and requests for the production of documents dated July 11, 1980 and does not intend to make the requested Staff personnel available on the requested dates for the requested deposition. The Staff's basis for its objection to these notices is set forth in the attached document. As the Staff states in footnote 4 on page 5, if we are not able to reach an informal agreement concerning the deposition of Staff personnel and you determine to bring this matter before the Licensing Board by means of a motion to compel, the Staff will not object on the grounds of untimeliness to any such motion filed during the discovery phrase of the proceeding.

Sincerely,

Marjorie Ulman Rothschild Marjorie Ulman Rothschild Counsel for NRC Staff

Attachment: As stated

cc w/attachment: Service List

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