In the Matter of

THE TOLEDO EDISON COMPANY AND THE CLEVELAND ELECTRIC ILLUMINATING COMPANY

Docket No. 50-346

(Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station)

AEC REGULATORY STAFF'S RESPONSE TO THE CORRESPONDENCE FROM RUSSELL O. TAYLOR

On April 30, 1973, the Commission published in the <u>Federal Register</u> a Notice entitled "Receipt and Consideration of Issuance of Facility License; Opportunity for Hearing" (38 F.R. 10661), relating to the consideration of the issuance of a facility operating license by the Commission for the captioned facility. It provided that any petitions for leave to intervene must be filed with the Office of the Secretary of the Commission on or before May 30, 1973.

On May 9, 1973, the Secretary of the Commission received a letter from Mr. Russell O. Taylor dated May 7, 1973, "requesting a petition for leave to intervene with respect to the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Plant..." The letter does not indicate whether Mr. Taylor is requesting that a hearing be held and that he be given leave to intervene, or whether he is requesting an appropriate form to be completed by him on which he might petition for leave to intervene.

If it is considered a petition for leave to intervene in response to the April 30, 1973 Notice, the petition should be denied because of its failure to comply with the requirements for such petitions set forth in 10 CFR 2.714. However, under the circumstances of this matter and in view of the fact that Mr. Taylor would not have a reasonable time to resubmit a timely amended petition on or before May 30, 1973, as specified in the Notice, the staff would not object on the grounds of untimeliness, if an amended petition otherwise fully complying with the requirements of 10 CFR 2.714, is filed within thirty days from the date of this response.

The staff would not object to Mr. Taylor's participation by way of a limited appearance, in accordance with 10 CFR 2.715, at the hearing, if any is held pursuant to the April 30, 1973 Notice.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated at Bethesda, Maryland, this 22d day of May, 1973.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of "AEC Regulatory Staff's Response to the Correspondence from Russell O. Taylor," in the captioned matter, have been served on the following by deposit in the United States mail, first class or air mail, this 22d day of May, 1973:

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