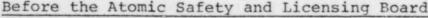
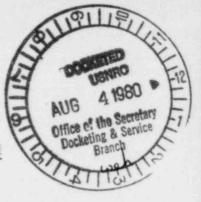
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION





In the Matter of
CONSUMERS POWER COMPANY
(Midland Plant, Units 1 and 2)

Docket Nos. 50-329-OM 50-330-OM

ANSWER OF CONSUMERS POWER COMPANY TO PETITION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE OF WENDELL H. MARSHALL

Consumers Power Company ("Consumers Power"), pursuant to the Rules of Practice of the Nuclear Regulatory
Commission, hereby answers the petition to intervene filed
by Wendell H. Marshall. For the reasons explained below,
while Consumers Power does not at this time oppose the
petitioner's intervention, it reserves the right to oppose
the participation of petitioner in subsequent proceedings in
this docket, contingent on the adequacy of the contention
which he is required to submit pursuant to 10 C.F.R. §2.714(b)
and this Atomic Safety and Licensing Board's ("Board")
Memorandum and Order Ruling Upon Standing to Intervene
("Intervention Order") dated July 24, 1980.

I. Introduction

In its Intervention Order, at page 3, the Board has construed a letter from Mr. Marshall to Mr. A. Schwencer of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission Staff ("Staff") to be a

petition to intervene and has given Consumers Power the opportunity to respond to that petition within 10 days following service of that order. This answer is Consumers Power's response.

II. Discussion

The Board has apparently agreed with the Staff's assumption that Mr. Marshall has incorporated portions of the February 23, 1979 Operating License "Special Prehearing Conference Order" into his petition to intervene. Based on this assumption, and the decision of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board in Consumers Power Company (Palisades Nuclear Plant), LBP-79-20, 10 NRC 108 (1979), Consumers Power agrees with the Staff that Mr. Marshall's residence within one and one-half miles of the Midland plants and his interest in the settling of the diesel generator building are adequately alleged facts sufficient to establish the requisite interest for intervention under 10 C.F.R. §2.714.

However, Consumers Power reserves the right to oppose the participation of Mr. Marshall in the subsequent proceeding in this docket, dependent upon the substance and specificity of the supplemental contention he is required to file pursuant to 10 C.F.R. §2.714(b), and the Board's Intervention Order.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Alan S. Farnell, hereby certify that a copy of Answer of Consumers Power Company to Petition For Leave to Intervene of Wendell H. Marshall was served upon all persons shown in the attached service list by deposit in the United States mail, first class, this 31st day of July, 1980.

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