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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

BEFORE THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

In the Matter of	}	
CONSUMERS POWER COMPANY		Docket Nos. 50-329
(Midland Plant, Units 1 and 2		50-330

NRC STAFF ANSWER TO CONSUMERS' OBJECTIONS
AND MOTION REGARDING PROPOSED TRANSCRIPT CORRECTIONS

Consumers Power Company (Consumers) filed on July 27, 1977, its Objections to and Motion to Strike Proposed Transcript Corrections of the Dow Chemical Company.

In that filing, Consumers objects to transcript corrections which Dow served on the parties to this proceeding on January 24, 1977 and March 1, 1977. With regard to each set of proposed transcript corrections, it was incumbent upon the parties to this proceeding to examine them and raise an objection in timely fashion. The NRC Staff, in each case, examined the proposed corrections and raised no objections. If Consumers had objections, they should have been raised far earlier in the proceeding - not five months or more after service. Indeed, on Tuesday, May 13, 1977, Dow moved for an order

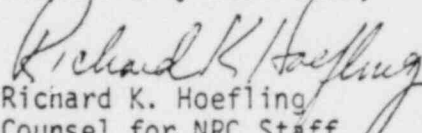
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amending the transcript in accordance with the March 1, 1977 proposed corrections. No objection was raised by Consumers (Tr. 6279-80).

Consumers' inordinate delay in filing objections constitutes a waiver of its right to object to the proposed corrections and the motion to strike should be denied.

Respectfully submitted,


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Dated at Bethesda, Maryland
this 8th day of August, 1977.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of "NRC STAFF ANSWER TO CONSUMERS' OBJECTIONS AND MOTION REGARDING PROPOSED TRANSCRIPT CORRECTIONS" dated August 8, 1977 in the above-captioned proceeding, have been served on the following by deposit in the United States mail, first class or air mail, this 8th day of August, 1977:

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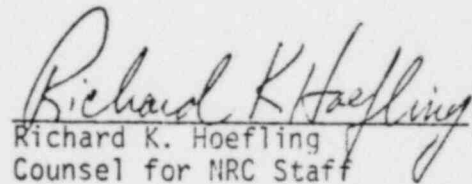
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