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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

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In the Matter of
METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY, ET AL.
(Three Mile Island, Unit 1)
Docket No. 50-289

Dear Board Members:

At the hearing session of January 27, 1981 (Tr. 11,027-11,030) the Board indicated that it did not understand a statement relative to the direct applicability of his views to TMI-1 that was made by Demetrios L. Basdekas in his memorandum to James R. Tourtellotte dated October 10, 1980, entitled, "Safety Implications of Control Systems and Plant Dynamics, and their Relevance to the TMI-1 ASLB Hearing." At my request Mr. Basdekas has prepared a written explanation of how he believes his views presented in documents previously provided to the Board have direct application to TMI-1. That explanation is set forth in a memorandum to James R. Tourtellotte dated February 9, 1981, entitled, "Safety Implications of Control Systems and Plant Dynamics, and their Relevance to the TMI-1 Restart ASLB Hearing." Copies of that memorandum and its attachment are enclosed.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: As stated

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