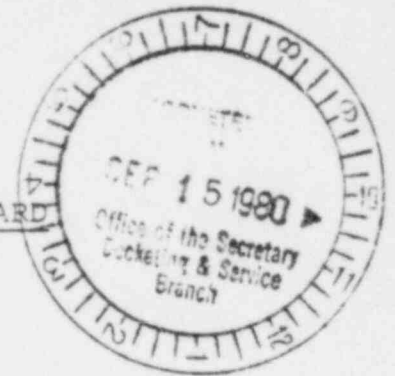


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LICENSEE'S RESPONSE TO UCS REQUEST FOR  
EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE DIRECT  
TESTIMONY ON CONTENTION 5

On September 10, 1980, UCS filed a request for extension of time to file direct testimony on UCS Contention 5. Licensee opposes the request.

UCS bases its request on the fact that it has pending before the Board a request that the Staff and Licensee be required to respond by September 10, 1980, to UCS' August 5 motion for summary disposition of Contention 5, so that UCS might use the responses in preparing its testimony.

The short answer is that, without waiting for the Board to rule on UCS' request for responses to the motion for summary disposition, both Licensee and the Staff have already filed pleadings providing in substance the responses which UCS requests. These filings were not directed to the motion for summary disposition. They were directed instead to UCS' letter

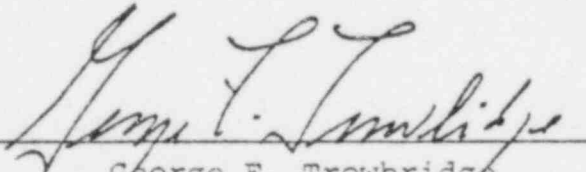
to the Board dated August 19, 1980, and to the Board's Memorandum and Order dated August 20, 1980, requiring the Staff and Licensee to treat the UCS letter as a motion for reconsideration of the Board's disposition of UCS' August 5 motion. Each of the Licensee and Staff filings sets out, however, the response which Licensee and the Staff would have made to the motion for summary disposition had such a response been made.

The Licensee and Staff filings were made on September 2, 1980, and September 8, 1980, respectively--well ahead of the September 10 date proposed by UCS.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: September 11, 1980

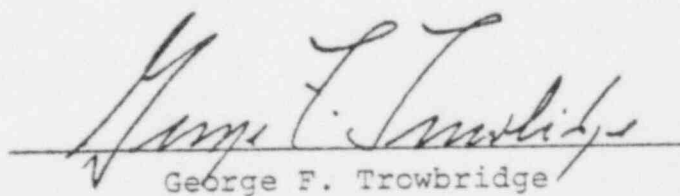
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of "Licensee's Response to UCS Request for Extension of Time to File Direct Testimony on Contention 5," dated September 11, 1980, were served upon those persons on the attached Service List by deposit in the United States mail, postage prepaid, this 11th day of September, 1980.

  
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