UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

Sheldon J. Wolfe, Esquire, Chairman Dr. Richard F. Cole, Member Gustave A. Linenberger, Jr., Member

Docket No. 50-376 CP 3

In the Matter of
PUERTO RICO ELECTRIC POWER AUTHORITY
(North Coast Nuclear Plant, Unit 1)

ORDER (November 19, 1°30)

In am Order dated October 17, 1980, the Commission declined to grant directed certification which had been requested in Intervenors' Motion For Direct Certification To Request Application Be Dismissed With Prejudice, and Addendum dated September 18, 1980. The Commission directed that Intervenors' Motion be transferred to the Licensing Board for decision and advised that Intervenors may pursue an appeal pursuant to the Rules of Practice if this Board rules adversely to them on the merits of their motion.

We understand the Commission's direction to be that we determine whether in granting Applicant's Withdrawal of Application, we should dismiss the application with prejudice.

Our Order of October 16, 1980 had granted Intervenors' request that we stay proceedings until fifteen days after the Commission had ruled upon their Motion For Direct Certification. We assumed that within fifteen days after the issuance of the Commission's Order, i.e., by November 3, 1980, Intervenors would file a submission opposing Applicant's and the Staff's Responses

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respectively filed on October 3 and October 8, 1980. Such was not the case.

If Intervenors wish to file a submission, they must file by no later than December 4, 1980. Intervenors' submission should be directed solely to responding to Applicant's and Staff's argument that the North Coast construction permit application should be dismissed but not with prejudice.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

FOR THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

Sheldon J. Wolfe, Esquire Chairman

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland this 19th day of November, 1980.