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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

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July 15, 1983

The Honorable Richard L. Ottinger, Chairman  
Subcommittee on Energy Conservation and Power  
Committee on Energy and Commerce  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In my letter of June 28, 1983 I provided you with preliminary views to your questions relating to the strike now underway at Consolidated Edison's Indian Point Unit 2 plant and the implications of the strike for the state of emergency planning and preparedness at the plant.

Enclosed are the Commission's responses to the questions you raised in your letter of June 23, 1983.

Commissioner Gilinsky adds: "It is unclear the extent to which the emergency preparedness situation at Indian Point has been affected by the strike. I would have FEMA conduct a review."

Sincerely,

Nunzio J. Palladino

Enclosures:  
As stated

cc: Rep. Carlos Moorhead

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RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS BY CONGRESSMAN OTTINGER  
ON IMPLICATIONS OF STRIKE ON STATE OF  
EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AT INDIAN POINT UNIT 2

QUESTION 1:

What assurances does the Commission have that the functions intended to be performed by the employees of Con Ed, now on strike, will be performed in the event of an accident during the strike?

ANSWER:

With regard to the onsite emergency organization, most of these positions are normally staffed by non-union management and technical resources. The utility made the necessary adjustments and is currently staffed in excess of their emergency plan commitments. The relatively small number of positions normally staffed by union personnel have been supplemented by additional trained utility technical and management personnel. Supplemental training, where needed, was provided before the strike began. The utility's contingency staffing, both for routine operation and emergency preparedness, has been reviewed by our Region I staff and the Resident Inspectors.

With regard to the offsite support, Con Ed and PASNY state that they are continuing to honor resource requirements committed to in Governor Cuomo's May 25, 1983 letter to the Chairman to support the State and local governments in addressing deficiencies identified by FEMA, as indicated in the attached letters.

QUESTION 2:

If other than utility personnel will be utilized, what assurance does the Commission have that such personnel will be available in a timely manner?

ANSWER:

The emergency response plan as previously approved envisions use of non-utility personnel in selected technical areas. Their participation is not expected to be changed in light of the strike. Such contractor personnel are routinely being provided access to the Indian Point Unit 2 site. To date, no problems regarding personnel access to the site have been encountered.

QUESTION 3: On what date does the Commission anticipate the conduct of the drill?

ANSWER:

With respect to Westchester County, our current information is that a drill to test the situation associated with the bus driver problem is scheduled for early August. With respect to Rockland County, we understand that an exercise is to be conducted in approximately 60 days from the June 9 decision. The parties state that they are ready for an exercise. However, we understand that the exact date for the exercise is subject to some negotiation, with the possibility that additional time could be allotted for training, which could lead to an exercise date of mid to late August.

Commissioner Asselstine notes that in actuality we simply have not been able to find out when the exercise will be held.

QUESTION 4: What effect will the strike have on the conduct of this drill?

ANSWER:

The NRC staff has discussed off-site support staffing with both licensees of the Indian Point facilities. Both PASNY and Con Ed have committed to Governor Cuomo resources for various functions to be performed in Rockland and Westchester Counties. Non-Union personnel necessary to supplement County resources were selected by Con Ed prior to the onset of the strike. These Con Ed personnel are not part of the onsite contingent operating Indian Point Unit 2. Consequently, the strike, assuming it continues, should not force Con Ed to draw personnel from onsite to provide for offsite response in support of the drill.

QUESTION 5:

What effect will possible postponement of the planned drill have on the Commission's finding that "adequate compensation measures have been, or shortly will be taken for those areas in which shortcomings still remain..."?

ANSWER:

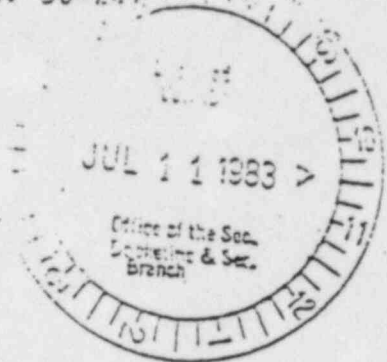
The Commission will continue to review the strike related activities and the conduct of operations at the Indian Point site along with the preparations for the upcoming drill.

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July 1, 1983

Re: Indian Point Unit No. 2  
Docket No. 50-247

Mr. H. W. Crocker  
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Dear Mr. Crocker:

By telephone on June 30, 1983, Mr. Dennis McCloskey, Manager of Emergency Planning, Con Edison, provided you with information concerning the Company's program to assist New York State in carrying out field emergency response activities detailed in the Radiological Emergency Response Interim Plan for Implementing Compensating Measures for Rockland County. This letter constitutes confirmation of the information provided.

New York State has asked the Indian Point licensees to provide 418 volunteers. At present, the distribution of Con Edison volunteers by assignment is:

<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Requested by NYS</u>	<u>Con Edison Management Volunteers</u>
Dose Assessment: EOC	2	0
Field Monitors	4	4
Personnel Monitors	50	25
Ambulance Crew Members	45	23
Reception Center Workers	80	40
Bus Drivers	185	50
Traffic Controllers	<u>52</u>	<u>26</u>
TOTAL	418	168

The remaining personnel presently are being provided by the New York State Power Authority.

The 168 volunteers provided by Con Edison are all management employees of the Company. They may be supplemented by 47 additional management personnel who have volunteered for assignments. Should any of these additional volunteers be assigned, they will receive appropriate training.

Substantial training has already been completed and additional training is continuing. The following training status pertains to Con Edison management volunteers only.

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Mr. H. W. Crocker

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To date, 176 Company volunteers have received an 8-hour course in basic radiation safety. Training for the remaining volunteers will be completed by July 8.

Forty Con Edison volunteers have completed the 4-hour personnel monitoring course.

Five bus drivers took the 40-hour bus driver training course this week. Thirty more are scheduled for the course next week, and the remaining management volunteers will be trained the week of July 11. Arrangements have already been made with the NYS Department of Motor Vehicles for the actual road tests, and we anticipate our management bus driver volunteers to be fully licensed by August 1.

CPR and first aid training will also be completed by July 15. To date, 15 volunteers have received the 8-hour CPR certificate, and 6 have received the 8-hour first aid certificate. Training in these two areas is required by the State for only a limited number of reception center workers and ambulance crew members.

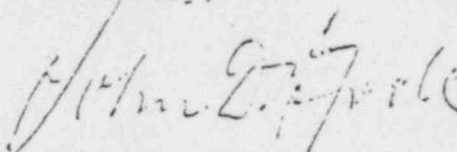
New York State and the Red Cross have scheduled reception center worker task and field training to begin July 7. This training is scheduled to be completed by July 23. Field training will also be scheduled by the State.

Task and field training specific to the State plan for the remaining assignment areas is now being developed by New York State. Our volunteers are prepared to attend these training sessions at any time and at any location they are held.

With regard to equipment, we have made no formal commitments to provide any at this time for activities related to the State's interim plan.

If you have any questions regarding the foregoing, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,



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Vice President

CC: Donald B. Davidoff  
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Federal Emergency Management Agency





New York Power Authority

July 11, 1983

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Mr. Frank Petrone, Regional Director  
Federal Emergency Management Agency  
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Dear Mr. Petrone:

I am sending this letter to you at the request of Roger Kowieski of your office expressed in a telephone conversation with John Kelly of my staff on July 8, 1983.

The New York Power Authority is prepared to support an exercise of the "Radiological Emergency Response Interim Plan for Implementing Compensating Measures for Rockland County" during the week of August 8, 1983 or any time thereafter.

The training for our personnel designated to support this effort will comply with this schedule. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please give me a call.

Sincerely,

J. Phillip Bayne  
Executive Vice President  
Nuclear Generation

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