UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD Before Administrative Judges: Ivan W. Smith, Chairman Dr. Walter H. Jordan Dr. Linda W. Little

In the Matter of METROPOLITAR EDISON COMPANY

(Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit 1)

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MEMORANDUM AND ORDER REGARDING OPPORTUNITY FOR SPECIAL APPEARANCE ON ISSUE OF CONFIDENTIALITY

The Chairman and Counsel for the Board have had telephone conver- 1 180 sations on September 24 and 25, 1981 with Michael F. McBride and David E. Cole, attorneys who may be representing one or more of the three individuals involved in cheating incidents whose names are disclosed in the unexpurgated information provided by the Staff to the Board on September 18, 1981. Messrs. McBride and Cole and their potential clients were in the process of determining whether to enter a special appearance to file a brief in support of confidential treatment of the names of individuals involved in the cleating incidents. The Board stated that the individuals involved may make such a special appearance if they wish, provided that

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briefs on behalf of the individuals are received by the Board, Judge Milhollin and the parties participating in the reopened proceeding no later than the commencement of the conference of parties on October 2. The Board also stated that attorneys for the individuals on whose behalf a brief is filed would be permitted to participate in discussions on the issue of confidentiality at the conference of parties.

In view of the issue, appearances and briefs on behalf of the individuals of course will not reveal the names of the clients. A general categorical description of the client or clients being represented will suffice. The Board has permitted <u>ex parte</u> notification to it of the particular client or clients who may be represented by each attorney.

> FOR THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

Chairman Van nith ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE

Bethesda, Maryland September 28, 1981

*/ These parties, subject to confirmation at the conference are the Licensee, NRC Staff, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the Aamodts, ANGRY, and TMIA.

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