UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

Before Administrative Judges: Louis J. Carter, Chairman Dr. Oscar H. Paris Frederick J. Shon

In the Matter of

CONSOLIDATED EDISON COMPANY OF NEW YORK, INC. (Indian Point, Unit No. 2)

POWER AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK (Indian Point, Unit No. 3) Docket Nos. 50-247 SP 50-286 SP

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LICENSEES' ANSWER TO UCS/NYPIRG MOTION FOR AN EXPEDITED ORDER ON STANDING AND COMMENCING DISCOVERY

Pursuant to 10 C.F.R. § 2.730(c) (1981), the Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. and the Power Authority of the State of New York, licensees of Indian Point Units 2 and 3, respectively, hereby submit their Answer to the UCS/NYPIRG Motion for an Expedited Order on Standing and Commencing Discovery (Motion) filed on March 22, 1982.

In its motion, UCS/NYPIRG requested that the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board (Licensing Board) "issue forthwith its pending ruling on standing of proposed

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intervenors so that the formal discovery process . . . may commence." Motion at 1. Although not in direct response to the UCS/NYPIRG Motion, recent action by the Licensing Board rendered moot UCS/NYPIRG's request. In its Order dated March 23, 1982, the Licensing Board stated that it would identify "petitioners admitted to intervenor status" prior to the Second Special Prehearing Conference scheduled for April 13 and 14, 1982. Memorandum and Order (Scheduling Second Special Prehearing Conference) (March 23, 1982). In any event, it is reasonable to assume that commencement of the discovery process will be discussed at the prehearing conference.

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CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing reasons, the USC/NYPIRG Motion for an Expedited Order on Standing and Commencing Discovery should be denied.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 2nd day of April, 1982, I caused a copy of the Licensees' Answer to UCS/NYPIRG Motion for an Expedited Order on Standing and Commencing Discovery to be served by hand delivery on:

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