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In the Matter of
Louisiana Power and Light Company
(Waterford Steam Electric Station, Unit 3)
Docket No. 50-382

Dear Administrative Judges:

By filing dated August [sic] (September) 10, 1982, entitled "Joint Intervenors Request the Right to Cross Examine" ("Request") the Joint Intervenors indicated that they wish to cross examine Staff and FEMA employees concerning their affidavits of September 1, 1982. On September 23, 1982, Applicant filed "Applicant's Response to Comments of Parties on Emergency Public Information Brochure," in which the Applicant "requests that an evidentiary hearing be promptly scheduled."

In view of both Applicant's and Joint Intervenors' expressed interest in scheduling a hearing, and in light of the ongoing discussions among the parties and Licensing Board members concerning such a proposed hearing, the Staff does not oppose Joint Intervenors' Request. The Staff wishes to note,

however, that any cross-examination of Staff or FEMA witnesses must relate to the scope of the direct testimony which may be introduced by the Staff and/or FEMA (which may or may not contain material different from that contained in the affidavits), in accordance with the rules governing NRC adjudicatory proceedings.

Sincerely,

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