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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:

On November 2, 1982, the Commission issued and served a Statement Policy on Table S-3 issues, entitled "Licensing and Regulatory Policy, and Procedures for Environmental Protection; Uranium Fuel Cycle Impacts."— The following directive contained therein is of particular significance:

[T]he Commission directs its Licensing and Appeal Boards to proceed in continued reliance on the Final S-3 rule until further order from the Commission, provided that any license authorizations or other decisions issued in reliance on the rule are conditioned on the final outcome of the judicial proceedings.

(Statement of Policy, at 9). A copy of the Statement of Policy is enclosed herewith.

^{*/} The Statement of Policy was signed on October 29, 1982, was docketed by the Office of Secretary on November 1, 1982, and was served on November 2, 1982.

As noted by the Licensing Board in its Partial Initial Decision (PID) issued on November 3, 1982, there remain pending in this proceeding "a motion by Joint Intervenors to reopen hearings and a petition by the State of Louisiana to intervene both of which seek to raise Table S-3 issues" (PID, at 4); rulings upon those matters were deferred pending the issuance of a Commission policy statement.

Pursuant to the Licensing Board's Order of July 19, 1982, responses to the Joint Intervenors' motion are to be filed within 14 days after issuance of the Commission's policy statement. Accordingly, the Staff intends to file its response to the Joint Intervenors' motion on or before November 16, 1982.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: As stated

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