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RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF MENTOR, KENTUCKY, IN SUPPORT OF A JOINT PETITION SUBMITTED TO THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION ON NOVEMBER 19, 1982, BY INTERVENORS ZAC/ZACK AND THE CITY OF MENTOR

- WHEREAS, the proposed Zimmer nuclear power plant lies within two miles of the City of Mentor, and
- WHEREAS, the consequences of an accident at Zimmer would fall grievously, perhaps devastatingly, upon the people of Mentor because of this proximity, and
- WHEREAS, the effects of radiation upon life are so severe that there is no room for error in nuclear technology, and
- Whereas, the long history of construction problems at Zimmer is common public knowledge and a cause of anxiety and fear for the people of Mentor, and
- WHEREAS, the utility's actions during ten years of construction have served to accumulate and exacerbate errors, doubts and suspicions at and about Zimmer to the point that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission has found it necessary to stop construction and impose extraordinary measures of control, and
- WHEREAS, the City of Mentor has worked diligently through the intervention process in the face of vigorous opposition from the applicant utility, the NRC staff and FEMA and has had its position regarding the adequacy of emergency planning vindicated by the denial of an operating license for Zimmer by the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, and
- WHEREAS, the Commission's order of November 12, 1982, contains no provision for public participation in the mechanism it sets forth or for direct and ongoing public scrutiny or review of the same, and

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- WHEREAS, in a transparent and presumptious effort to preempt corrective action by the Commission, the utility took a precipitate action outlined by its president in his November 10, 1982, letter to the Commission that compromised the objectivity of the third party it named therein and complicates the fulfillment of the Commission's order, and
- WHEREAS, the utility has been publicly derisive of the Commission's order of.

 November 12, 1982, by describing it as punitive and unnecessary, and
- WHEREAS, in view of the discretionary authority given by the Commission to its Regional Administrator to relax all or part of the conditions of its order, it is appropriate that the public have formal means of communication with management, construction and third party entities and with the Regional Administrator during his execution of the Commission's order in a manner that is generally described in the intervenors' petition of November 19, 1982, and
- WHEREAS, the \$200,000 collected by the NRC from the utility as a fine for previous violations would be well spent in establishing public representation at Zimmer to aid the public in understanding the management and construction problems at Zimmer and the methods proposed and taken for their resolution and thereby helping to forestall further recalcitrance by the utility,
- THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the City of Mentor supports the proposition that immediate and continued public participation in a manner satisfactory to the intervenors is a necessary ingredient in any meaningful attempt to resolve the difficulties at Zimmer, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City of Mentor supports the November 19, 1982, petition submitted to the NRC by intervenors ZAC/ZACK and Mentor and urges the Commission to act favorably upon it.

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