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> In the Matter of PHILADELPHIA ELECTRIC COMPANY (Limerick Generating Station, Units 1 and 2) Docket Nos. 50-352 and 50-353

Dear Mr. Elliott:

At the hearing on the City's issues concerning severe accident risks, the Board asked the Staff to send you the transcript pages in which the Board directed that the 'emergency planning implementing procedures problem" be addressed in parties' proposed findings on onsite emergency planning. Tr. 11,912-13. Accordingly, I have enclosed the transcript pages in which the Board gave that direction and also the pages in which the matter was discussed. Tr. 11,909-15.

The Board also imposed a page limitation of 35 pages for findings on LEA's DES contentions. That ruling is to be found at Tr. 11,906, which is also enclosed.

Sincerely.

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certainly and 35 pages sounds about right to us.

You know, findings are not to regurgitate every sentence in the written testimony or in the FES or anything else you would want to use. One important purpose of our page limitation is to avoid that, which I have seen on occasion in other cases at least -- that is, the parties just regurgitating that instead of boiling it down and focusing what the findings are.

So we are going to impose that limit of 35 pages for City 13 and 14 and 35 pages for the LEA severe accident contentions and we will set 15 pages for the replies.

Now if when we are back on the record in June you find you have a severe problem, you can bring it back to our attention and we will consider what you have to tell us then.

So you will have that safety valve. I think 35 pages is about right.

MS. BUSH: I would just note for the record that I disagree with that, but I appreciate the safety valve and I will raise it in June if I continue to have this opinion.

JUDGE BRENNER: I don't want it to be just a prospective opinion. In June, you can tell me that your findings are substantially written if not completed even though they are not due then and that having gone through them and made every good faith effort to boil it down but

JUDGE BRENNER: Okay. Thank you. I think that completes any need for you to be here, Ms. Bush.

MS. BUSH: Thank you.

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JUDGE BRENNER: Nice to see you again. We will see you in June.

MS. BUSH: Thank you.

JUDGE BRENNER: I wanted to get a report on the emergency planning implementing procedures problem.

MR. WETTERHAHN: Applicant has contacted.

Mr. Elliott with regard to his position on the motion.

Mr. Elliott objects to a hearing on June 4th through 6th in

Bethesda. He instead wanted a hearing on June 11th and 12th.

I know the Board had noted on the record that it was not available.

JUDGE BRENNER: We have noted that for months and I have emphasized we set the schedule well in advance so all parties could be ready, so that those dates are not acceptable.

MR. WETTERHAHN: According to my understanding,
Mr. Elliott indicated there was one change, at least one
change, that he considered to be substantive as far as the
difference in the procedures and that is where the discussions
stand with regard to the Staff's position. I believe
Mr. Vogler can state that position.

MR. VOGLER: Staff's position was determined by counsel for Philadelphia around 10 o'clock last night, so I do not have a case citation yet this morning upon which the Staff is relying.

We would like to see the Applicant's motion to substitute perhaps be changed to a motion to supplement. We do not believe that the implementing procedures that we had hearing on should be removed and the other procedures put in its place.

Rather the Staff would prefer that the new implementing procedures be added to the record and that the parties have a chance to comment on those implementing procedures.

We do not think at this time that additional hearing is necessary, I note, and as I prefaced my remarks before I got started, I do not have a citation this morning, but the licensing board handled such a procedure in the San Onofre, the Southern California Edison proceeding on approximately November, 1980, a similar procedure was

followed whereby additional material was added to the record rather than substituted to the record.

JUDGE BRENNER: I am not familiar with the case either but it depends upon the extent of agreement among the parties and how significant the issues are and so on.

MR. VOGLER: The Staff is aware of that.

JUDGE BRENNER: So it isn't too much presedent unless you look at exactly what was involved and then make a determination as to similarities or differences to the case at hand.

What change is it that LEA thinks may create a problem, do you know?

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MR. WETTERHAHN: EP102, Section 9.1.1.2, the original stated "Shift supervision -- supervisor -- to initiate" and then the change was, "Shift supervisor to direct" and this was the single example given over the telephone.

Mr. Elliott may have others but that is the one he discussed with Mr. Conner.

JUDGE BRENNER: That which you just told me does not comport with Appendix A as I am looking at it, although I don't have the implementing procedures with me.

But on page 1 of Appendix A, which is attached to -- is referenced in the motion, the supplement, Applicant's motion to substitute dated May 25, but the actual Appendix A

was attached to that May 25 letter from counsel for the Applicant to the other parties and under their 9.1.1.2, it indicates that the change is to add, "Shift supervision to initiate." It has a few more words in there.

MR. WETTERHAHN: This is what I was told over the phone as far as again -- double hearsay.

JUDGE BRENNER: When are the findings, the Applicant's findings do? I don't have the --

MR. WETTERHAHN: June 11.

(Board conferring.)

apparently as we understand could not be available for hearing next week and if we had a hearing at the outset we would have made a close determination as to whether a hearing was necessary and if so, why. But of course we need LEA's presence for that too. Given that procedural situation, we will handle it as follows and I would appreciate it if these transcript pages could be sent to LEA's counsel and in addition if Mr. Elliott could be contacted as soon as possible to tell him about it, namely today, or as soon thereafter as practicable.

Each party shall argue in its findings which of the changes to the procedures raise material controversy and if so, why, how the findings would be changed and depending on any substantive problem, what procedural steps the party believes is necessary, be it reopening the record or mandating that a certain change to a procedure not be made and so on.

And of course the main thing is all these arguments have to be very much in the specific context of what findings on the contention a party is proposing and the close analysis as to how the changes in the procedures of which any party has a concern would affect the outcome on the merits of the contention.

Now I think the normal sequence on this sub-point at least would be for LEA, now that the Applicant has indicated specifically what the changes are, for LEA at the time of filing its findings to devote some of the findings to the points I just indicated. Any procedures not objected to or not discussed will not be dealt with in our decision and the Applicant will be free to use the procedures as changed.

Then in the reply findings by the Applicant the Applicant can pick up any of these points and we will allow the Staff -- in fact, ask the Staff, require the Staff to file a reply also on the same date as the Applicants, but just on this one sub-part of the findings -- that is the changes to the procedures, because normally the Staff would not be filing a reply on the other matters in the findings, and I think we can then get th issue focused, highlight which ones if any remain in dispute, which changes remain in

dispute and we can see exactly what the controversy is and we will then take the appropriate action.

MR. VOGLER: Staff didn't concentrate on the pages on reply. Are you going to permit us to -- more pages on the reply?

Generally I don't have the page limitation that you gave the parties.

JUDGE BRENNER: I think it was 30; that is my recollection. We said 60 pages for the findings and as a rule of thumb, we have allowed approximately half or a little less when the number was uneven for a reply.

But that reply limitation was set for an entire reply, certainly don't go over it, but you should be well under it for this matter.

MR. VOGLER: All right.

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JUDGE BRENNER: This also gives the parties

a little more leeway to see if they can resolve the matter,

and of course getting the information this way, we still

don't understand what the dispute is, nor do I understand

why the changes couldn't have been timely indicated when

we were here the first time on the record.

If that becomes material to argue it, we can hear more on it. Right now, I don't know whether that point is material.

We have no other miscellaneous matters, and we are prepared to discuss the findings we received on AWPP's Contention VI-1 concerning welding, if the parties have nothing else.

Mr. Romano, we stated on the record previously, and this has been reported to you through various conversations from Staff, as we understand it -- that is, we have received the written proposed findings and conclusions on AWPP's Contention VI-1. We have read them. We have gone through the transcript as to each portion cited in each of the findings. We have also kept the whole record in mind and reviewed those portions of the record that, on our own, we think remanded rereview, even though not cited by any parties, and we have done that, and our conclusion is unchanged from the one we gave at the end of the evidentiary hearing session.

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However, we wanted to give you the opportunity on the record, if you want to avail yourself of it, to go through the substantive proposed findings that you have made and the responses by the parties, just to see if there is some point in the responses that we are still missing. But we only want to deal with the substantive matters, not any of our procedural rulings. Many of your findings deal with the procedural rulings, such as the method of cross-examination, and Dr. Eberson's testimony and so on. Our rulings on those matters are amply set forth on the record, and we have nothing to add on those, and the record is there for any party to argue later as to whether what we did was correct.

However, we are willing now to deal with any of the proposed findings that would go to the merits of deciding the contention. I take it you are here for that purpose.

MR. ROMANO: Well, fundamentally I am here to preserve my appellant rights. Otherwise, I really don't know why I'm here.

I couldn't help feeling, as I have stated in my conclusions and findings, that it was practically useless to even file the findings and conclusions, which I feel suggested bias, that I think I felt all through the readings of the inspection and engineering reports,