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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

BEFORE THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

In the Matter of

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MISSISSIPPI POWER & LIGHT COMPANY, et al. Docket Nos. 50-416 OLA 50-417 OLA

(Grand Gulf Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2)

NRC STAFF STATUS REPORT

I. INTRODUCTION

On April 23, 1984, the Licensing Board in the above-captioned proceeding issued an order admitting Intervenor Jacksonians United for Livable Energy Policies (JULEP) and two contentions. Second Order Following Prehearing Conference (Admitting Intervenor and Ruling on Contentions). In addition to admitting Intervenor, the Board ordered the commencement of discovery and directed the parties to file a status report by August 1, 1984, advising the Board of 1) all unresolved matters preparatory to hearing and 2) the parties respective suggestions as to the date for scheduling the final prehearing conference and the hearing. The Staff's status report is set forth below.

II. STATUS REPORT

Discovery in this proceeding was temporarily held in abeyance during the pendency of the Licensees' motion for reconsideration of the Board's April 23 Order. While the Staff has not initiated any discovery to date, 8408070477 840801 PDR ADOCK 05000416 PDR

Staff intends to serve on JULEP a short set of interrogatories within two weeks and, subsequently, to prepare a motion for summary disposition. Accordingly, it is the Staff's view that the only unresolved prehearing matters would be the conclusion of discovery and consideration of motions for summary disposition.

With respect to a prehearing and hearing schedule, the Staff suggests the following:

August 27	Last date to initiate discovery
September 28	Summary Disposition Motions
October 23	Responses to Summary Disposition Motions
December 4	Final Prehearing Conference (if needed)
December 21	Prefiled Testimony
January 8	Hearing begins

Because the Staff believes that the contentions in this proceeding concern narrow issues that are good candidates for summary disposition, this schedule contains ample time to complete discovery, including requests for production of documents, and for a Board ruling on summary disposition motions prior to the hearing. The Staff would also note that there may not be a need to convene a final prehearing conference, if at all, until the first day of the hearing. The Staff and the Licensees, on July 31, reached agreement as to this proposed schedule. However, today the Staff was informed by JULEP's representative, Cynthia Stewart, that JULEP intends to withdraw from the proceeding and will so notify the Board by letter dispatched today.

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III. CONCLUSION

For the reasons discussed above, if Intervenor does not withdraw from this proceeding, the Staff recommends that the Board adopt the Staff's proposed schedule.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated at Bethesda, Maryland this 1st day of August, 1984.

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NOTICE OF APPEARANCE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned attorney herewith enters an appearance in the above-captioned matter. In accordance with 10 C.F.R. § 2.713(a), the following information is provided:

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of "NRC STAFF STATUS REPORT" and "NOTICE OF APPEARANCE" in the above-captioned proceeding have been served on the following by deposit in the United States mail, first class, or, as indicated by an asterisk, by deposit in the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's internal mail system, this 1st day of August, 1984:

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