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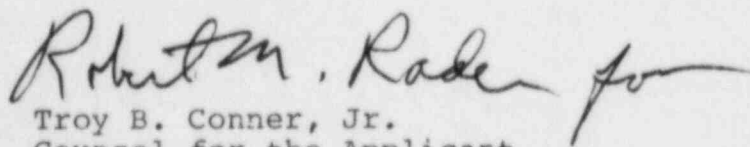
In the Matter of
Public Service Electric and Gas Company
(Hope Creek Generating Station)
Docket No. 50-354

Dear Mr. Schwencer:

This response to the letter dated July 31, 1984 from Miss Susan Remis on behalf of the Public Advocate of the State of New Jersey. Miss Remis has requested a 60-day extension of the deadline for providing comments on the Draft Environmental Statement for Hope Creek.

Miss Remis has not shown any basis why such an extension is "reasonable" under 10 C.F.R. §51.73. No reason is given as to why it was necessary for Mr. Potter, as opposed to some other attorney, to commence what Miss Remis describes as "the process of obtaining expert consultants to review the draft environmental statement." Moreover, Miss Remis has not identified any particular matter of concern for which an extension of the usual comment period should be granted.

Sincerely,


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