

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555 November 18, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Commissioner Gilinsky Commissioner Ahearne Commissioner Roberts Commissioner Asselstine

- FROM:

Nunzio J. Palladino

SUBJECT:

SUFFOLK COUNTY LETTER TO COMMISSION REGARDING EVIDENTIARY DEPOSITIONS IN

SHOREHAM PROCEEDING

I am inclined to agree that we should not step in, at this time, to stop the "evidentiary deposition" procedure which the Board appears ready to adopt.

However, I am concerned that the draft OGC response will be interpreted as entirely a brush-off. I suggest we add a paragraph concerning the substance of the issue, and I attach such a paragraph for your consideration.

Attachment: As stated

cc: OGC

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CHAIRMAN PALLADINO'S MODIFICATION TO SUFFOLK COUNTY RESPONSE

Insert after the second paragraph of Attachment 2 the following paragraph:

We do not intend to prejudge the outcome of legal objections, present or future, to the "evidentiary deposition" procedure. However, based on our understanding of the proposed procedure, at present, no party is being asked to forego cross-examination in public session or the opportunity to make relevant objections before the Licensing Board. Further, we would expect the Board to be thoroughly familiar with the entire deposition record when it rules on admissibility issues. Finally, it appears that the proposed procedure does not preclude a party from requesting cross-examination before the Board when, for example, the party demonstrates that the Board's observation of the witness is essential.



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May 7, 1982

Hon. Daniel Patrick Moynihan 733 Third Ave. New York, N.Y. 10017

Dear Senator Moynihan,

Residents of Nassau County are concerned about an amendment to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's 1983 budget authorization bill (H.R. 2330, S.2982) that would give the Nuclear Regulatory Commission the authority to issue a utility an interim license for the fuel loading and testing of a nuclear power plant up to five per cent power before the granting of a full operating license by the N.R.C.

Such an interim license subverts the N.R.C.'s safety regulatory process. It serves LILCO's interest while denying the public full protection. It is particularly objectionable given Suffolk County's authorization of a complete and independent physical inspection and design review of all critical safety systems, to be completed before any interim or full operating license is granted for the Shoreham plant.

The N.R.C. authorization bill is now before the Senate-House Conference Committee. I urge you to take the necessary steps to insure the defeating of this provision. At the very least, action should be taken to insure the interim licensing provision stands only for 1982-83.

Please keep me informed as to your action and progress on this matter. Many local committeepeople and club members are interested in this matter and would appreciate your guidance as to the next effective steps they can take at this time.

Your efforts on our behalf will be much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Martin L. Mellman

Chairman

cc: Hon. Alphonse D'Amato

Hon. Thomas Downey

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