UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Before the Commission

In the Matter of
LONG ISLAND LIGHTING COMPANY
(Shoreham Nuclear Power Station,
Unit 1)

Docket No. 50-322-OL

SUFFOLK COUNTY AND NEW YORK STATE MOTION FOR COMMENCEMENT OF INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION OF DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY INFLUENCE ON SHOREHAM PROCEEDINGS

Documents described in the attached <u>New York Times</u> article, dated March 27, 1985, disclose efforts of the Department of Energy to influence the outcome of NRC proceedings concerning the Shoreham Nuclear Power Plant. Among other things, these documents reveal DOE's effort to:

- "Lobby NRC and FEMA to amend, interpret, issue opinions, or adopt presumptions regarding their regulations and rules which are favorable to DOE's policies."
- -- "Force NRC and FEMA to accept (change rule?) utility exercise of EP without local cooperation or presumption that local authority will act in a real emergency."

Such approaches of DOE to "lobby" and "force" the NRC to take actions which affect the outcome of the Shoreham proceeding are repugnant to the NRC's adjudicatory process and, particularly, are unlawful under the governing Administrative Procedure Act,

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Atomic Energy Act, and NRC regulations. The <u>Shoreham</u> proceeding is an on-the-record adjudication. DOE's off-the-record initiatives with the NRC to alter the established legal framework and to sway the direction and context of NRC decisionmaking are an obstruction of the lawful regulatory processes.

Moreover, the documents described in the <u>Times</u> article reveal DOE's approach to influence actions of the Federal Emergency
Management Agency. For example, in a March 8, 1985 letter from
DOE Secretary Herrington to FEMA Director Giuffrida, DOE urges
FEMA to conduct an exercise of LILCO's offsite emergency
plan. The conduct of such an exercise is a contested issue in
the <u>Shoreham</u> proceedings. Secretary Herrington does not even
reveal that the New York State Supreme Court on February 20,
1985 declared LILCO's plan to be illegal. Thus, DOE is urging
FEMA to join with LILCO to attempt to achieve an unlawful objective.

FEMA, as the NRC's evaluator of offsite emergency preparedness, plays a significant role in the adjudicatory process as a purportedly impartial participant. The apparent efforts of DOE behind-the-scenes to influence FEMA's on-the-record representations and opinions undercut the integrity of the Shoreham adjudicatory proceedings. At this point, it is therefore not clear if the NRC and FEMA have been acting for themselves or, at times, as the surrogates of DOE and DOE's undisclosed agenda for the outcome of the Shoreham proceedings.

Accordingly, to bring fully to public light the extent of DOE's involvement at the NRC and the influence of DOE on the content and direction of the NRC's Shoreham proceedings, and to

establish the foundation on which action might be taken to cleanse any taint which has resulted from DOE's activities, Suffolk County and New York State hereby move the NRC immediately to commence an independent investigation of DOE's activities. This investigation should be aimed at disclosing DOE's lobbying, forcing, influencing, or any other actions which might affect or already have affected the content, direction, or outcome of the NRC's Shoreham proceedings.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of Suffolk County and New York State Motion for Commencement of Independent Investigation of Department of Energy Influence on Shoreham Proceedings have been served on the following this 1st day of April, 1985, by U.S. mail, first class, except as otherwise noted.

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