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Before Administrative Judges:
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| In the Matter of |) | |
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| DUKE COGEMA STONE & WEBSTER |) | Docket No. 0-70-03098-ML |
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| (Savannah River Mixed Oxide Fuel |) | ASLBP No. 01-790-01-ML |
| Fabrication Facility) |) | |
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**SUPPLEMENT TO REQUEST FOR 30-DAY EXTENSION FOR FILING
CONTENTIONS ON CONSTRUCTION AUTHORIZATION REQUEST**

On June 27, 2001, Georgians Against Nuclear Energy respectfully requested a 30-day extension of the deadline for filing proposed contentions and additional information supporting standing in the matter of the request by Duke Cogema Stone & Webster for a license to construct a plutonium fuel factory at Savannah River Site. Specifically, GANE requested that the deadline be extended from July 30, 2001 until August 29, 2001.

Information relevant to the request was inadvertantly omitted from the filing. Additional new information prompts GANE to file this supplement to its request in an effort to accurately convey, prior to the issuance of any order, exact details of schedules of pertinent GANE parties during the month of July.

GANE has already noted the unavailability of Dr. Edwin Lyman to this process until July 20, 2001.

Glenn Carroll, who is coordinating and conducting this intervention on behalf of Ms. Susan Bloomfield and GANE, accepted an invitation to attend the Institute for

Energy and Environmental Research training workshop July 17 - 22, 2001. Airline tickets which are non-refundable and non-transferable have already been purchased for Ms. Carroll by IEER. Ms. Carroll is engaged in traveling and attending the IEER workshop July 13 through July 23, 2001. Ms. Carroll's commitment was made well in advance of the establishment of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board to review the DCS Construction Authorization Request.

On June 29, 2001, Ms. Bloomfield informed GANE that she will be traveling to visit her family and unavailable until July 17, 2001.

The divergence of July schedules of the chief contributors to GANE's intervention constrains meaningful communication, development of contentions, administrative details pertaining to getting affidavits signed, to take place between July 23 and 28 (for service on Monday, July 30, 2001).

We believe this additional information firmly establishes the extreme and unavoidable circumstances surrounding GANE's effective involvement in this significant licensing proceeding.

The Commission has expended more than a little effort in the past decade to enhance public participation in the NRC's rulemaking and hearing processes. GANE has been an invited participant in several meetings and conferences to explore the role of the public in safeguarding nuclear technology. The complex and difficult issues surrounding the effort to manufacture reactor fuel from weapons-grade plutonium demand the utmost deliberation and careful review. GANE is bringing relevant issues to bear, as reflected in the recent Request for Additional Information issued to DCS by the NRC staff and it is in the interest of the NRC and DCS, as well as the general public, the environment, and Ms. Susan Bloomfield, that we all have a reasonable amount of time to consider these highly technical, extremely difficult, and unprecedented activities.

As stated in our June 27, 2001, filing, GANE understands the constraints placed upon this ASLB by the Commission's higher tribunal authority. We plead with the Board to present our request to the Commission and we hope we have gained your recommendation that the request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Glenn Carroll". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Glenn Carroll
for Georgians Against Nuclear Energy

Dated July 1, 2001
in Decatur, Georgia

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
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