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March 13, 1979

Mr. Dan Swenson  
United States Nuclear Regulatory Committee  
Washington, D. C. 20555

## PETITION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE in

New York State Electric & Gas and Long Island Lighting Company  
Docket Numbers

50-596 - New Haven, New York

50-597 - Stuyvesant, New York

According to: Rules of Procedure 2.715

I, William Keeping, Supervisor, represent the people of the Town of Gardiner, which Town New York State Gas and Electric and Long Island Lighting Company have chosen as an alternate site for a nuclear power plant.

The Town Board of the Town of Gardiner was informed by the companies' representatives of this on the evening of March 12, 1979, therefore, the Town Board voted today, March 13, to petition for leave to intervene. This action could not be taken sooner because of unawareness. A copy of their news release is attached to show the lateness of their information to us.

*William Keeping*

WILLIAM KEEPING, SUPERVISOR

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New York State Electric & Gas Corporation said today that it has been asked by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to identify four locations which can serve as alternates to the two the utility has already chosen as possible sites for a proposed nuclear generating station.

Allen E. Kintigh, the Company's vice president--generation, said that one of these alternate sites lies in the Town of Gardiner, Ulster County, which is 10 miles west of the Hudson River and 11 miles west of Poughkeepsie. Mr. Kintigh said he has notified William Keeping, Town Supervisor for Gardiner, that the Gardiner site is under consideration. The three other alternate sites are near the upper Hudson, Susquehanna and Mohawk rivers.

Mr. Kintigh emphasized that in designating these alternates NYSE&G is merely complying with NRC requirements and has no wish to build the plant there. Instead, he said, the Company's firm plan is to locate the 2,500-megawatt nuclear plant in the Town of New Haven near Lake Ontario and nine miles east of Oswego. Its preferred alternate site lies within the Town of Stuyvesant near the Hudson River and north of the City of Hudson.

"New Haven and Stuyvesant are the two sites where we have serious intentions," said Mr. Kintigh. He pointed out that NYSEG and Long Island Lighting Company, its partner in this project, chose those two after conducting a statewide site search from May 1975 to July 1976. The two companies then performed more than a year of environmental, engineering, economic and social studies at the two sites before making New Haven their first choice and Stuyvesant their second in April 1978. The companies included both sites in their application last November to the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment for permission to build the nuclear plant. They cited New Haven in their application to the NRC last November.

By contrast, said Mr. Kintigh, "no extensive studies have been carried out in Gardiner or at the other three alternate sites. At present therefore only New Haven or Stuyvesant can be licensed as power plant sites."

However, he explained, these four alternate sites will enable the NRC staff to conduct their own independent site analysis. "We are confident that, after completing their evaluation, the NRC staff will reaffirm our selection of New Haven as a good power plant site," he said.

Anyone wishing to receive more information about the power plant project or the Gardiner site should contact Michael J. Ray, manager--nuclear projects, NYSEG, 4500 Vestal Parkway East, Binghamton, New York 13902.

The two utilities hope to start construction of the plant in 1982 and to complete the first 1,250-megawatt generating unit in 1991 and the second 1,250-megawatt unit in 1993. <sup>454</sup> 278

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Alternate site

Lower Hudson River - Ulster County - Town of Gardiner - #8-4-2



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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

BEFORE THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

In the Matter of

NEW YORK STATE ELECTRIC AND GAS CORP.  
AND LONG ISLAND LIGHTING CO.

(New Haven 1 and 2)

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