

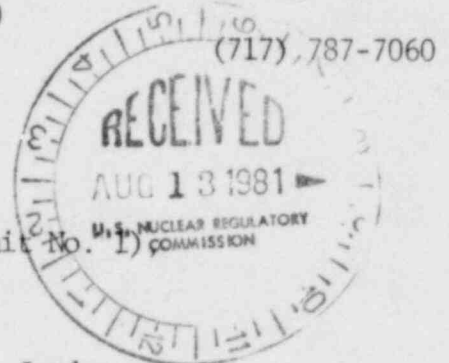
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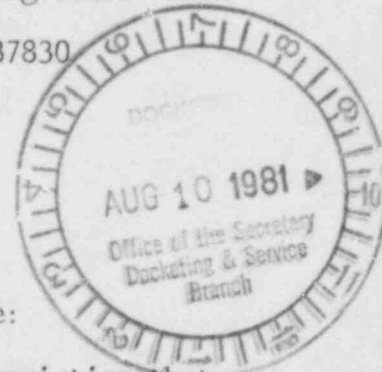
RE: Metropolitan Edison Company
(Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit No. 1)
Docket No. 50-289 (Restart)



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Dear Chairman Smith and Administrative Judges Jordan and Little:

The Commonwealth has recently learned of the alleged improprieties that occurred during the NRC licensing examination administered to TMI-1 operators in April. As you know, the Commonwealth is particularly concerned with the issue of operator training and the numbers of qualified, licensed reactor operators necessary to operate TMI-1 safely, as reflected in the Commonwealth's findings of fact and conclusions of law on management issues. It is imperative that an exhaustive investigation of this incident be conducted prior to a final decision on restart.

The Commonwealth also believes that the parties to this proceeding with an interest in management issues have a right to information pertinent to the April examination. We request, therefore, that the Staff be directed to serve the Board and the parties with the following information:

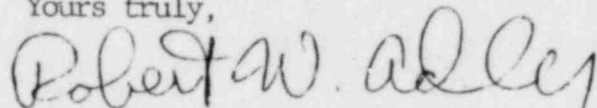
- (1) A description of the circumstances that lead the Staff to believe that an investigation was warranted, including the number of operators potentially involved, and the highest level of Licensee personnel potentially involved;
- (2) A complete description of the nature of the investigation, including an identification of the investigators; and
- (3) The results of the investigation, as soon as available.

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The Commonwealth believes that a motion to reopen the record, although potentially warranted, would be premature pending receipt of the information requested.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert W. Adler". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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In the Matter of)
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