

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

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In the Matter of

CONSOLIDATED EDISON COMPANY OF NEW YORK
(Indian Point, Unit 2)

Docket Nos. 50-247-SP
50-236-SP

POWER AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
(Indian Point, Unit 3)

April 11, 1983

WEST BRANCH CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION'S

TESTIMONY OF

NEVA POWELL

March 9 Exercise

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My name is Neva Powell, I have lived on Christian Herald Road in Valley Cottage, N.Y. for 31 years. I am married to Eugene Powell, am the mother of three children now grown and the grandmother of two.

I have a Bachelors degree in Fine Arts and lack but one point for a Masters. I have taught thousands of children when I was a teacher at the Board of Cooperative Extension Services and in the Nanuet School District. I now teach at the Rockland Center For The Arts and at The Rockland County Center For The Physically Handicapped.

On March 9, 1983, I went to the Rockland Psychiatric Center in Orangeburg, N.Y. to observe the decontamination center. I arrived at 9:05 A.M. to find there were no signs placed to direct people to such a unit. The building, made of concrete, was the Security and Fire station, probably 80' X 100'. It gave the appearance of being old, dingy and cluttered. On one side was a big door and placed near it were a fire engine and a truck. On the other side there was a boat approximately 20' long and scattered lockers.

On the entrance door there was a sign directing people stating that those who were contaminated should go to the right of the rope and those who were not, to the left of the rope but when I got inside I saw no rope.

At the back of the station there was an office room with radio communications and 2 men in security uniforms. Next to it was a smaller and quite cluttered office which

was that of the Chief of Security. On his desk were 3 old geiger counters and three new counters. He told me that someone had visited him the day before the drill to test the counters and show him how to operate them as well as 6 dosimeters.


In the middle of the large room, or space, was a folding metal frame that was a tank, or pool, but did not have a lining. It wasn't set up and there were no hoses anywhere in sight.

At about 9:30 Chief Grant arrived. Two people also arrived and said they were from social services and they proceeded to go into the building and upstairs.* However, I was asked for identification and when I said I had permission via telephone from Mr. Don Hatings he told me I would have to have identification papers with a photograph. We called to the Fire Training Center which had given us permission and they said they could not supply identification that complicated on the spot. The Chief then asked me to leave. About this time Mrs. Galdone arrived and he asked us both to leave. I asked the reason and he said because we had not identification with photographs. As we left we saw no further signs of preparation. Outside the building there were no hoses, tanks, etc. or anything else that looked as if they could hose down a bus or truck. We had seen no towels, clothing. Inside they had placed some paper mats in front of the small entrance door. We left at 10:10 AM.

ATTESTATION -

This is to certify that I, Neva Powell, do affirm
that the attached testimony is true to the best of
my knowledge and belief.

Valley Cottage, N.Y.
April 8, 1983


NEVA POWELL

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that I have this day placed in the U.S.
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6.1, TESTIMONY OF RICHARD H. BOWER AND OF NEVA POWELL ON THE
MARCH 9 EXERCISE.

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