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In the Matter of
The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company, et al.
(Wm. H. Zimmer Nuclear Power Station)
Docket No. 50-358

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is a copy of a news release dated September 30, 1983 issued by The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company. It states, in pertinent part, that the Bechtel Power Corporation, a consultant retained by the Applicants, has estimated that the time to complete the Zimmer Nuclear Power Station would be in the range of 24 to 36 months. It also states that the final date is contingent on an orderly and timely resolution of the NRC's show cause order issued in November, 1982.

Sincerely,

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NEWS RELEASE

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At today's monthly Wm. H. Zimmer Nuclear Power Station Owners Project Meeting, a new cost estimate to complete the plant, based on the Course of Action to be submitted to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, was provided by Bechtel Power Corporation.

Bechtel, which has been retained as a consultant to assist the Owners, estimates the cost at completion to be in the range of \$2.8 billion to \$3.5 billion and time to complete to be in the range of 24 to 36 months. Previous estimated construction cost was \$1.7 billion.

The final date and cost is contingent on an orderly and timely resolution of the NRC's Show Cause Order, issued in November, 1982, that halted safety-related construction at the plant.

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