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IN THE MATTER OF  
METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY  
(Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit 1)  
Docket No. 50-289-SP (Management Phase)

Dear Chairman Edles and Judges Buck and Kohl:

The Appeal Board's recent Order of October 7 schedules oral argument on the various appeals in the management phase of this proceeding for December 1, 1983. That Order further anticipates a subsequent order establishing an order of presentation of argument and allotment of time among the parties. We urge the Appeal Board as well prior to oral argument to provide additional guidance to the parties on particular areas of interest to the Board.

The management phase of this proceeding is extensive, including the initial hearing in 1980 and 1981 and the reopened hearing in 1981 and 1982 which together encompassed almost four months of hearing time and during which about eighty witnesses appeared. There were some 1300 pages of proposed findings collectively sub-

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mitted by the parties. The Licensing Board's and Special Master's decisions alone amount to over 700 pages.

On appeal there have been almost 500 related exceptions filed with the Appeal Board. Briefs on these exceptions amount to some 400 pages. In these circumstances, Licensee believes that some guidance on the issues of particular concern to the Appeal Board would assist all parties in making best use of preparation time so as to enhance oral argument for the Board.

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