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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

UNIVERSITY OF LOWELL  
(Research & Training  
Reactor)

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} Docket No. 50-223 OLA  
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PETITION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE OF JOHN F. DOHERTY

John F. Doherty, of Apt. #3, 318 Summit Avenue, Brighton, Massachusetts, 02135, now files the instant Petition for Leave to Intervene in the above styled operating license extension matter.<sup>#</sup> As required by 10 CFR 2.714, Petitioner sets forth below his interest in the proceeding.

Petitioner has a health and safety interest in the Reactor licensing because he resides within approximately 25 miles of the reactor's site. In the event of accidents due to misoperation of the facility the introduction of radioactive substances into the atmosphere will adversely effect said interests. Misoperation may be augmented by accidents due to fires, or other unfortunate circumstances. Petitioner has resided at the above address since June 22, 1983, and it is his permanent address. All of Petitioner's personal property which may be affected by such radiation releases in the form of transuranic and other radioactive substances is located at his address.

Petitioner has a further interest in that the University of Lowell is a State University and Petitioner as a resident of the same state is a taxpayer. Hence, Petitioner has an interest in whether the license amendment before the N. R. C. will not adversely effect his status as a taxpayer.

<sup>#</sup>/ A datagram message to Mr. Cecil O. Thomas of the Commission was given Western Union this date, per instructions of the Federal Register notice.

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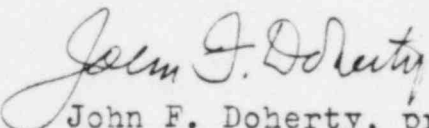
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Further, Petitioner frequently travels to visit members of his family who reside in Maine, and thus is frequently closer to the said Reactor than his residence distance.

An order granting a thirty year renewal of the years of operation of the University of Lowell reactor clearly will have an effect on these interests and hence this Petition for Leave to Intervene should be granted by the Commission or a delegated Administrative Judge or Board.

Petitioner further notes that on the second page of the Volume 50, No. 61, Federal Register notice of this Consideration of Application for Renewal of Facility License it is stated, "Not later than fifteen (15) days prior to the first prehearing conference scheduled in the proceeding, a petitioner shall file . . . a list of the contentions which are sought to be litigated in the matter." Contentions thus shall be forthcoming.

Respectfully,

  
John F. Doherty, pro se

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