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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

BEFORE THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

In the Matter of	)	
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ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE	)	DOCKET NOS. STN 50-592
COMPANY, et al.	)	STN 50-593
	)	
Palo Verde Nuclear	)	
Generating Station,	)	
Units 4 & 5	)	
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MOTION SEEKING EXTENSION OF TIME  
WITHIN WHICH TO RESPOND TO STATEMENTS OF  
ISSUES FILED BY CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION  
AND CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
AND REQUESTING BOARD TO SET DATE FOR SECOND  
PREHEARING CONFERENCE

I

Joint applicants Arizona Public Service Company, Southern California Edison Company, El Paso Electric Company, San Diego Gas and Electric Company, Nevada Power Company, Department of Water and Power of the City of Los Angeles, City of Anaheim, City of Burbank, City of Glendale, City of Pasadena, and City of Riverside (the "Joint Applicants") recently received by mail a copy of the statement of issues filed by the California Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission ("California Energy Commission"), dated June 20, 1979, and a copy of the statement of issues filed by the California Public Utilities Commission ("PUC"), also dated June 20, 1979. Responses in opposition to any

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or all of the questions presented in these statements are to be filed by July 5, 1979. Joint Applicants hereby request the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board to grant an extension of time to July 16, 1979, in which to file such responses.

The basis for Joint Applicants' request is as follows. The PUC's statement of issues contains 44 questions covering 34 pages. With few exceptions, each question consists of several sub-questions. The California Energy Commission's statement of issues contains 46 questions. In view of the large number of detailed questions, Joint Applicants need additional time to study the statements of issues. In addition, since a majority of the questions submitted by the California Energy Commission relate solely to the California participants, attorneys for Joint Applicants need additional time to consult with the California participants prior to preparing any response. An extension of time to July 16, 1979, offers Joint Applicants a reasonable period in which to review the statements of issues and file any responses.

The undersigned attorney has been in contact with attorneys for the PUC and the California Energy Commission respecting this request, and has been advised by such attorneys that the two California agencies are agreeable to an extension of time to July 16, 1979.

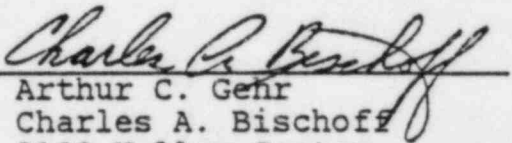
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In its "Order Following Special Prehearing Conference" dated March 6, 1979, the Licensing Board established a schedule for completing the public hearing process. That schedule provides for the second prehearing conference to be held 95 days from date of issuance of the NRC Staff's Draft Environmental Statement ("DES"). The notice of availability of the DES is dated April 19, 1979. Assuming this date to be the date of issuance of the DES, the second prehearing conference should be scheduled for July 23, 1979. Accordingly, Joint Applicants hereby request that the Board set the second prehearing conference for July 23, 1979, or as soon thereafter as is convenient for the Board.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 5th day of July, 1979.

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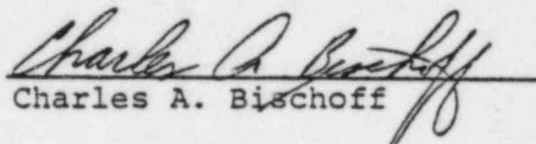
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