

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD  
February 14, 1972

In the Matter of the Application )  
of COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANY )  
for a Permit for Dresden Unit 3 ) PCB 70-21  
at Dresden Nuclear Power Station )

Mr. William E. Eaken appeared for the Illinois Pollution Control Board

Messrs. Arthur C. Gehr and John Rowe appeared for Commonwealth Edison Company

Messrs. Lawrence D. Spears and Alan Sugarman appeared for the Environmental Law Society

Opinion of the Board (by Mr. R.J. Kissel):

On November 23, 1971, the Board revised the Permit previously granted to Edison to operate Dresden Unit 3. One of the provisions of the revised Permit required that Edison complete the installation of a catalytic recombiner and eight charcoal beds, as outlined in the record of the proceedings, by April 1, 1973. See Paragraph 4(a) of the revised Permit, dated November 23, 1971. On February 2, 1972 Edison filed a motion to clarify the November 23 order by changing the date on which the catalytic recombiner and eight charcoal beds had to be completed to June 1, 1973. Edison points out that the basis of the Board's order on November 23 was the Company's advanced anticipated completion date, which was testified to in the record as being June 1, 1973. See the testimony of Mr. Hoveke, page 186, transcript of October 19, 1971.

While we would like Edison to expedite the completion of the control equipment, we must agree with them that the testimony in the record supports the position taken in their motion to clarify the Board's order. The insertion of the April 1, 1973 date was merely a clerical error in drafting of the order, and therefore, we will modify the order by deleting the April 1 date in Paragraph 4(a) and inserting the June 1 date.

I, Christan L. Moffett, Clerk of the Pollution Control Board, certify that the Board adopted the above Opinion this 14 day of February, 1972, by a vote of 4-1.

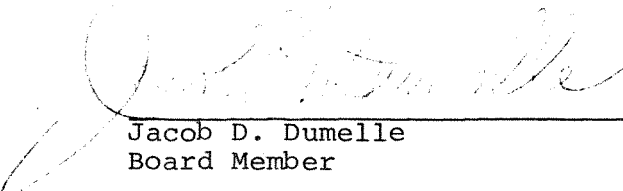
Mr. Dumelle dissents.

*Christan L. Moffett*



The people around Dresden and around Quad-Cities (if it operates before off-gas treatment is on-line) are paying or may pay the price for Edison's delay.

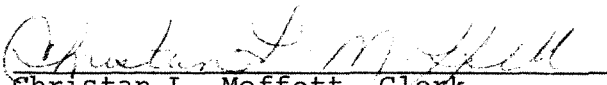
The newspaper story today (February 24, 1972) telling of Governor Richard B. Ogilvie's February 14 (the date of this action) request to the Illinois Commerce Commission to investigate the "incidents" at the Dresden reactors is recognition of the great dangers to the public which may result from improper design or operation of Dresden. The off-gas treatment system adds a measure of safety to these nuclear plants and ought to be built and installed just as fast as humanly possible.



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Jacob D. Dumelle  
Board Member

I, Christan L. Moffett, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, hereby certify the above Dissenting Opinion was submitted on the 24th day of February, 1972.



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Christan L. Moffett, Clerk  
Illinois Pollution Control Board

