On March 14, 1997, Mr. Calabrese filed a timely hearing request challenging the staff's denial of his SRO license application. In his hearing request, he asserted that his simulator examination was graded incorrectly or too severely. On March 25, 1997, the Commission referred Mr. Calabrese's hearing request to the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel for the appointment of a presiding officer to conduct any necessary proceedings. On March 26, 1997, the Chief Administrative Judge of the Panel appointed Administrative Judge G. Paul Bollwerk, III, to act as the Presiding Officer, and Administrative Judge Thomas D. Murphy, to serve as Special Assistant to the Presiding Officer. (62 FR 15,542 (1997))

After receiving the staff's April 7, 1997 answer to the University's hearing request, on April 8, 1997, the Presiding Officer issued an order granting Mr. Calabrese's hearing request.

Please take notice that a hearing will be conducted in this proceeding. This hearing will be governed by the informal hearing procedures set forth in 10 CFR Part 2, Subpart L (10 CFR §§ 2.1201–.1263).

Further, in accordance with 10 CFR § 2.1205(j), please take notice that within *thirty days* from the date of publication of this notice of hearing in the **Federal Register** (1) Any person whose interest may be affected by this proceeding may file a petition for leave to intervene; and (2) any interested governmental entity may file a request to participate in this proceeding in accordance with 10 CFR § 2.1211(b). Any petition for leave to intervene must set forth the information required by 10 CFR § 2.1205(e), including a detailed description of (1) the interest of the petitioner in the proceeding; (2) how that interest may be affected by the results of the proceeding, including the reasons why the petitioner should be permitted to intervene with respect to the factors set forth in 10 CFR § 2.1205(h); (3) the petitioner's areas of concern regarding the staff's March 3, 1997 denial of Mr. Calabrese's SRO license application; and (4) the circumstances establishing that the petition to intervene is timely in accordance with 10 CFR § 2.1205(d). In accordance with 10 CFR § 2.1211(b), any request to participate by an interested governmental entity must state with reasonable specificity the requestor's areas of concern regarding the staff's March 3, 1997 denial of Mr. Calabrese's SRO license application.

In addition, pursuant to 10 C.F.R. § 2.1211(a), any person not a party to the proceeding may submit a written limited appearance statement setting forth his or her position on the issues in this proceeding. These statements do not constitute evidence, but may assist the Presiding Officer and/or parties in the definition of the issues being considered. Persons wishing to submit a written limited appearance statement should send it to the Office of the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, Attention: Docketing and Service Branch. A copy of the statement also should be served on the Presiding Officer and the Special Assistant.

In the April 8, 1997 order, the Presiding Officer directed that on or before Thursday, May 8, 1997, the staff shall file the hearing file for this proceeding. Once the hearing file is received, pursuant to 10 CFR § 2.1233 the Presiding Officer will establish a schedule for the filing of written presentations by Mr. Calabrese and the staff, which may be subject to supplementation to accommodate the grant of any intervention petition or request to participate by an interested governmental entity. After receiving the parties' written presentations, pursuant to 10 CFR §§ 2.1233(a), 2.1235, the Presiding Officer may submit written questions to the parties or any interested governmental entity or provide an opportunity for oral presentations by any party or interested governmental entity, which may include oral questioning of witnesses by the Presiding Officer.

Documents relating to this proceeding are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC. Also, general information regarding the conduct of agency adjudicatory proceedings, including the provisions of 10 CFR Part 2, Subpart L, can be found by accessing the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel's World Wide Web home page at the following case-sensitive universal resource locator (URL): http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/ASLBP/homepage.htm.

Dated: April 8, 1997, Rockville, Maryland.

G. Paul Bollwerk, III,

Administrative Judge.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50–346]

Toledo Edison Company; Centerior Service Company; and the Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company; Notice of Consideration of Approval of Application Regarding Proposed Corporate Restructuring

Notice is hereby given that the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering approval by issuance of an order under 10 CFR 50.80 of an application concerning the proposed merger between the Centerior Energy Corporation (the parent corporation for the Toledo Edison Company, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company (CEI), and the Centerior Service Company (CSC), licensees for Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 1) and the Ohio Edison Company. Davis-Besse is a nuclear-powered generating facility that is owned and operated in accordance with Facility Operating License No. NPF–3.

By letter dated December 13, 1996, the Toledo Edison Company, CEI, and CSC informed the Commission of, and are seeking consent regarding, a proposed merger of the Centerior Energy Corporation and the Ohio Edison Company resulting in the formation of a new single-holding company, FirstEnergy Corporation. Under the proposed merger, the Toledo Edison Company, CEI, CSC, and the Ohio Edison Company will become wholly-owned subsidiaries of FirstEnergy Corporation. The current licensees will continue to hold the license, and no direct transfer of the license will result from the merger.

According to the application, the merger will have no adverse effect on either the technical management or operation of the Davis-Besse plant. The technical management and nuclear organization of the plant operators, the Toledo Edison Company and CSC, will continue to remain responsible for plant operation and maintenance after the merger.

Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.80, the Commission may approve the transfer of control of a license after notice to interested persons. Such approval is contingent upon the Commission's determination that the holder of the license following the transfer is qualified to hold the license and that the transfer is otherwise consistent with applicable provisions of law, regulations, and orders of the Commission.

For further details with respect to this proposed action, see the application from the Toledo Edison Company and CSC dated December 13, 1996, and the supplemental letter dated February 14, 1997 (from Licensees' counsel), which are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, and at the local public document room located at the University of Toledo, William Carlson Library, Government Documents Collection, 2801 West Bancroft Avenue, Toledo, Ohio 43606.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 8th day of April 1997.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Allen G. Hansen,

Project Manager, Project Directorate III–3, Division of Reactor Projects III/IV, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50–213]

Receipt of Petition for Director's Decision Under 10 CFR 2.206

Notice is hereby given that by a Petition dated March 11, 1997, Ms. Rosemary Bassilakis on behalf of the Citizens Awareness Network and the Nuclear Information and Resource Service requested the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or Commission) to take action with regard to the Connecticut Yankee Atomic Power Company Haddam Neck Plant. This letter is being treated as a Petition pursuant to 10 CFR 2.206.

The Petition requests a modification of the license of the Connecticut Yankee Atomic Power Company's Haddam Neck Plant that would prohibit any decommissioning activity for at least six months without any contamination events occurring, enforcement action against this licensee by means of a large civil penalty and that the facility be placed on the NRC watch list.

The Petition is being treated pursuant to 10 CFR 2.206 of the Commission's regulations, and has been referred to the Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR). As provided by Section 2.206, appropriate action will be taken on this Petition within a reasonable time.

Petitioner's March 11 request has been made available in the Commission's Public Document Room, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC 20555.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland this 3rd day of April 1997.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Samuel J. Collins,

Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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POSTAL RATE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY: Postal Rate Commission.

TIME AND DATE: 10:30 a.m., May 13, 1997.

PLACE: Conference Room, 1333 H Street, NW., Suite 300, Washington, DC 20268.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Docket No. MC96–2, Classroom Mail Rates.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Margaret P. Crenshaw, Secretary, Postal Rate Commission, Suite 300, 1333 H Street, NW., Washington, DC 20268–0001, Telephone (202) 789–6840.

Margaret P. Crenshaw,

Secretary

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Notification of Items Added to Agenda

On April 9, 1997, the Board voted unanimously to add the following items to the open portion of its agenda for the April 16, 1997 Board Meeting:

(7) Requests to Post Field Service Vacancies

A. One permanent GS–09 Contact Representative position in the Tampa, FL, district office.

B. One permanent GS–10 Contact Representative position and one permanent GS–09 Contact Representative position, both in the Nashville, TN, district office.

C. One GS–10 Contact Representative position in the Oakland, CA, district office.

D. One GS–09 Contact Representative position in the Salt Lake City, UT, district office; and one GS–09 Contact Representative position in the West Covina, CA, district office.

E. One permanent GS–10 Contact Representative position in the Portland, OR, district office.

Dated: April 9, 1997.

Beatrice Ezerski,

Secretary to the Board.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Rel. No. IC–22604; 812–10378]

Arnhold and S. Bleichroeder, Inc.; Notice of Application for Permanent Order

April 7, 1997.

AGENCY: Securities and Exchange Commission (''SEC'').

ACTION: Notice of application for Permanent Order of Exemption under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the ''Act'').

APPLICANT: Arnhold and S. Bleichroeder, Inc. (''A&SB'').

RELEVANT ACT SECTIONS: Order requested under section 9(c) of the Act granting an exemption from section 9(a).

SUMMARY OF APPLICATION: A&SB has requested an order under section 9(c) of the Act exempting it from section 9(a) to the extent necessary to permit A&SB to employ an individual who is subject to a securities-related injunction.

FILING DATES: The application was filed on October 2, 1996, and was amended on February 6, 1997, and April 1, 1997.

HEARING OR NOTIFICATION OF HEARING: An order granting the application will be issued unless the SEC orders a hearing. Interested persons may request a hearing by writing to the SEC's Secretary and serving A&SB with a copy of the request, personally or by mail. Hearing requests should be received by the SEC by 5:30 p.m. on April 28, 1997, and should be accompanied by proof of service on A&SB, in the form of an affidavit or, for lawyers, a certificate of service. Hearing requests should state the nature of the writer's interest, the reason for the request, and the issues contested. Persons who wish to be notified of a hearing may request notification by writing to the SEC's Secretary.

ADDRESSES: Secretary, SEC, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549. A&SB, 45 Broadway, New York, New York 10006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brian T. Hourihan, Senior Counsel, at (202) 942–0526, or Mercer E. Bullard, Branch Chief, at (202) 942–0564 (Division of Investment Management, Office of Investment Company Regulation).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following is a summary of the application. The complete application may be obtained for a fee from the SEC's Public Reference Branch.