

# Carter Operation Behind The New York City Blackout

*On July 13 at 9:34 PM, all electricity in New York City went out and a nearly 24-hour blackout siege began in the New York metropolitan area. The blackout was accompanied by looting and arson in ghetto areas in the city which were played throughout the nation's press as a "night of terror." Throughout the blackout period, NSIPS went into action to find out the causes for the blackout and the real story behind the night of terror.*

Mounting evidence gathered in an NSIPS investigation into the blackout leads to the following basic conclusions:

1. The blackout which struck the Con Edison regional electrical system was no "act of God," as one Con Ed. official claimed, but the lawful and known-to-be im-

minent result of the progressive decay of the system over the last decade. (see report on Con Ed below)

2. As soon as the blackout occurred, a classic "low-intensity counterinsurgency operation" coordinated by an apparatus which reaches to the White House went immediately into operation. This Carter Administration operation through the use of "left CIA" provocateurs was responsible for the looting and arson which occurred in some ten ghetto locations throughout the city. (see *Chronology* below)

3. The purpose of that counterinsurgency was to create the climate for nationwide urban riots which would require the declaration of a state of emergency and the imposition of military rule in the United States.

4. As the interviews below with Operation Pacesetter's James Cuddy and the *Newsday* editorial of July 15 indicate, such a total emergency and mass chaos is deemed necessary by the forces behind the Carter Administration — notably the David Rockefeller faction of New York financial interests — as necessary to institute Energy Advisor James Schlesinger's energy conservation dictatorship which would destroy United States industry and the economy. It is noteworthy that only two days before the blackout, at the governors Conference in Washington, D.C., Schlesinger had once again reiterated his demand for command rationing of energy and emergency powers over the economy, and that the day before the blackout descended over New York City, New York's Governor Hugh Carey had been told by the White House to go ahead with the fascist regional energy program first outlined at the Conference of Northeast Governors in Saratoga Springs, N. Y. in November 1976.

## Project Pacesetter Spokesman: I Wasn't Surprised By Blackout

*The following are excerpts from an interview with Jim Cuddy, the public relations director of Project Pacesetter, the Pittsburgh based energy conservation pilot project.*

**Reporter:** What is your reaction to the New York City blackout? Do you think it will help your (Pacesetter) organizing?

**Cuddy:** I wasn't surprised by what happened to New York. People had been expecting some kind of trouble — maybe not as bad as what happened. The problem in New York and elsewhere is that people don't conserve enough electricity. Then you have some unfortunate act of god — like a lightning bolt — and you have a disaster....Of course, we will make use of what happened in New York. You can't avoid it...I have always thought that you needed something that could stir the nation's consciousness on the energy question during the summer. Now we have that...the nation's press have implanted it on the minds of every American..It has been dramatic and effective...It is our job to shape that consciousness. You won't see us here in Pacesetter going out with a PR drive saying "Conserve energy or you'll have a "New York" here. That wouldn't be true. Pittsburgh may not be as fouled up as New York and Con Ed. It would be overkill — people are now getting the message through the evening press. We just have to make sure that they hook up with our conservation policies....

### *Behind The Night of Terror*

The *Chronology* below of the 24-hour blackout shows that the sequence of events was carefully orchestrated by Carter backers in New York State to create a situation which would require imposition of military rule in the city.

From the top down, the Carter forces in the State carried out a barrage of attacks against the Beame administration, attempting to manipulate the Mayor into bringing out the National Guard. Such a move — as the Newark events of 1967 proved — would have precipitated full-scale rioting, and total chaos and deaths. Governor Carey, Emergency Financial Control Board head Stephen Berger, Consolidated Edison Executive Director Charles Luce, Bronx Borough President Robert Abrams, Manhattan Borough President and mayoral candidate Percy Sutton and *New York Times* editor Roger Star were among the principal Carter machine men involved.