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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission ATTN: Document Control Desk Washington, DC 20555

- Subject: Indian Point 3 Nuclear Power Plant Docket No. 50-286 James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant Docket No. 50-333 **Response to Regulatory Issue Summary 2000-04** <u>Operating Reactor Licensing Action Estimates</u>
- References: 1. NRC Regulatory Issue Summary 2000-04, "Operating Reactor Licensing Action Estimates," dated March 16, 2000.
  - 2. NYPA letter to NRC (IPN-98-134), "Proposed Technical Specification Change (License Amendment) Conversion to Improved Standard Technical Specifications," dated December 11, 1998.
  - 3. NYPA Letter to NRC (JPN-99-008), "Proposed Technical Specification (License Amendment) Conversion to Improved Technical Specifications," dated March 31, 1999.

Dear Sir:

This submittal responds to the NRC request for information, contained in Reference 1, pertaining to the estimates of the number of licensing actions that will be submitted for NRC's review in upcoming fiscal years.

The Authority estimates that approximately 8 licensing actions will be submitted to the NRC during the remainder of the 2000 NRC fiscal year and 9 during the 2001 NRC fiscal year for Indian Point 3. Similarly, approximately 6 licensing actions will be submitted to the NRC during the remainder of the 2000 NRC fiscal year and 7 during the 2001 NRC fiscal year for James A. FitzPatrick.

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In addition to the above estimates, the Authority has submitted, for both Indian Point 3 and James A. FitzPatrick, license amendment applications to convert to the Improved Standard Technical Specifications (References 2 and 3). The review and approval process for these amendment requests will likely require additional submittals by the Authority which require NRC review.

Further, the Authority has signed a purchase and sale agreement on March 28, 2000 for the sale of the Indian Point 3 and the James A. FitzPatrick nuclear power plants. This sale will require the submission of an application for license transfer. This application would be submitted during the remainder of the 2000 NRC fiscal year.

The number of projected licensing action submittals are estimates which are subject to change and do not constitute Authority commitments. Therefore, there are no commitments being made by this submittal. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. C. Faison.

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Attachments: as stated

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