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SUBJECT: DRESDEN UNIT 2 - TELEPHONE CONVERSATION ON TEMPORARY RELIEF
FOR SNUBBERS (TAC NO. MA9354)

Dear Mr. Kingsley:

This letter documents the telephone conversation held on June 30, 2000, between P. Swafford, R. Krich, P. Chabot, D. Ambler, J. Sipek, and others from your staff and S. Bajwa, K. Manoly, M. Dapas, J. Grobe, M. Leach, and others of our staff. During the telephone conversation we discussed a request by your staff for temporary relief for Dresden, Unit 2, from the Inservice Testing (IST) program snubber visual inspection intervals. Your staff proposed the snubber visual inspection intervals of Technical Specification (TS) 3/4.8.F as an alternative to the IST requirements. Inspection of snubbers are due each 18 months under the IST program. TS snubber visual inspections are required at a maximum interval of 48 months depending upon the previous surveillance results. The purpose of the relief request was to avoid an unplanned shutdown of Unit 2 after your staff discovered that the Unit 2 snubber IST inspections had not been completed within 18 months.

During the telephone conversation we discussed your justification for the relief. The requested relief is similar to a relief we granted for Quad Cities Station on September 15, 1995. At the end of the telephone conversation we verbally granted the requested temporary relief contingent upon your staff documenting the request and justification for the temporary relief. The requested information was submitted by letter dated June 30, 2000, "Temporary Relief Request for Alternative Requirements for Snubber Visual Inspection Intervals and Corrective Actions." We will review your submittal and provide a documented safety evaluation for this temporary relief.

Sincerely,

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