

November 20, 2000

Mr. R. P. Powers
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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF THE NOVEMBER 14, 2000, D.C. COOK PUBLIC MEETING

Dear Mr. Powers:

On November 14, 2000, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) held a public meeting at the D.C. Cook Nuclear Plant in Bridgman, Michigan. The meeting was held to discuss the status of D.C. Cook Unit 1 restart activities, licensing issues, and NRC Manual Chapter (MC) 0350 oversight inspection status. Formal presentations were made by the American Electric Power Company (licensee) staff. Enclosure 1 is a list of attendees for the meeting, and Enclosure 2 is a copy of the slides used by your staff.

The MC 0350 public meetings between the licensee and the NRC staff are designed to provide a mechanism for the exchange of information regarding the status of ongoing activities at D.C. Cook. Senior management from the NRC and the licensee participated in the meetings.

Your Restart Director presented to the NRC staff a summary of the status of Unit 1 restart activities. The major activities recently completed included ice condenser restoration, and motor-operated valve refurbishment activities. In addition, 42 of 78 systems had been turned over to operations. Your Restart Director stated that based on current performance, Unit 1 may be ready to restart in early December 2000. The NRC staff and your management discussed actions that had been taken to address programmatic issues. Your staff stated that various programs have been reviewed and evaluated to assess their effectiveness, including air operated valves, preventative maintenance, and in-service testing.

Your Operations Manager then presented a summary of activities planned or in progress which are focused on preparing plant operators for dual unit operation. Specific activities discussed included enhanced training and increased management oversight of control room activities. Your Operations Manager stated that safety conscious and conservative decision making has been stressed and that the operators are encouraged to be self critical.

You then presented to the NRC staff a summary of recent major accomplishments, including continued good performance of Unit 2 and good progress in completing Unit 1 restart related activities. In closing, you stated that the focus of the restart effort is to safely complete restart required work, and assuring quality results.

The NRC staff then presented the current status of inspection activities and progress towards assessing the issues identified in the Unit 1 Restart Action Matrix. The NRC staff stated that several inspections were planned to assess the restart readiness of Unit 1, including a 10 CFR 50.59 and permanent modifications team inspection, and a restart readiness assessment team inspection. The permanent modification team inspection is in progress and the restart readiness assessment team is scheduled to start November 27, 2000. The NRC staff presented the status of licensing issues for Unit 1 restart. All licensing issues needed for restart are on schedule and expected to be issued prior to restart.

Sincerely,

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Geoffrey E. Grant, Director
Division of Reactor Projects

- Enclosures:
1. List of Meeting Attendees
 2. Licensee's Slide Presentation

Docket Nos. 50-315; 50-316
License Nos. DPR-58; DPR-74

- cc w/encl:
- A. C. Bakken III, Site Vice President
 - J. Pollock, Plant Manager
 - M. Rencheck, Vice President, Nuclear Engineering
 - R. Whale, Michigan Public Service Commission
 - Michigan Department of Environmental Quality
 - Emergency Management Division
 - MI Department of State Police
 - D. Lochbaum, Union of Concerned Scientists

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D. C. Cook Nuclear Plant***November 14, 2000, NRC 0350 Restart Panel Meeting***

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D. C. Cook Nuclear Plant***October 30, 2000, NRC 0350 Restart Panel Meeting***

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