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Donald C. Cook Nuclear Plant Units 1 and 2
NOTIFICATION OF COMMITMENT DUE DATE EXTENSION

Indiana Michigan Power Company (I&M), the Licensee for Donald C. Cook Nuclear Plant Units 1 and 2, is providing notification to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission of the extension of a commitment due date. In Licensee Event Report (LER) 315/99-029-01, dated February 25, 2000, I&M committed to submit a license amendment request to revise technical specification (T/S) surveillance requirement (SR) 4.8.2.3.2.c.2 for Units 1 and 2, by December 31, 2000. I&M is extending the due date for this commitment to update battery maintenance requirements prior to the next Unit 2 refueling outage, scheduled to begin on November 3, 2001.

This change to the SR incorporates the latest industry guidance and requirements for battery maintenance and is considered an enhancement. The current T/S SR is more restrictive than the revision being sought. The changes associated with this commitment are not related to addressing the root cause of the LER (i.e., failure of personnel to comply with the T/S SR), do not impact the ability to comply with the SR, and do not serve to prevent recurrence of the event. Additionally, the extension of the commitment due date does not negatively impact the ability of structures, systems, and components to perform their intended safety function. The extension does not have an inimical effect to plant safety or the health and safety of the public and is, therefore, acceptable.

There are no new commitments made in this letter.

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Should you have any questions, please contact Ms. Laurie Lahti, Licensing Supervisor, at (616) 697-5794.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ronald W. Gaston".

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