June 22, 1993

Docket No. 50-286

Mr. Ralph E. Beedle
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Dear Mr. Beedle:

SUBJECT: ERROR IN ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT NO. 129 - INDIAN POINT NUCLEAR GENERATING UNIT NO. 3 (TAC NO. M84137)

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Sincerely,
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C. Sensitive Leakage Rate

1. Test

A sensitive leakage rate test shall be conducted with the containment penetrations, weld channels, and certain double gasketed seals and isolation valve interspaces at a minimum pressure of 43 psig and with the containment building at atmospheric pressure.

2. Acceptance Criteria

The test shall be considered satisfactory if the leak rate for the containment penetrations, weld channel and other pressurized zones is equal to or less than 0.2% of the containment free volume per day.

3. Frequency

A sensitive leakage rate test shall be performed at intervals no greater than 3 years.

D. Air Lock Tests

1. The containment air locks shall be tested at a minimum pressure of 43 psig and at a frequency of every 6-months. The acceptance criteria is included in E.2a. The equipment hatch is to be leak rate tested after every reinsertion prior to requiring containment integrity.

2. Whenever containment integrity is required, verification shall be made of proper repressurization to at least 43 psig of the double-gasket air lock door seal upon closing an air lock door.

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