



Nebraska Public Power District
Nebraska's Energy Leader

NLS2001060
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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attention: Document Control Desk
Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

Gentlemen:

Subject: Withdrawal of Inservice Inspection Relief Request RI-32,
Cooper Nuclear Station, NRC Docket 50-298, DPR-46

Reference: NPPD Letter No. NLS2000064 to USNRC Document Control Desk from John H. Swailes (NPPD) dated December 4, 2000, "Inservice Inspection and Containment Inspection Relief Requests"

In the above reference, the Nebraska Public Power District (District) submitted several Inservice Inspection (ISI) and Containment Inspection relief requests for Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) approval. Included in this submittal was ISI Relief Request RI-32, Revision 0, which would have permitted ultrasonic examination personnel to continue to be certified with the rules of ASME Section XI Code, 1989 edition, as opposed to the 1995 edition, 1996 addenda, for the balance of the Third Ten-year ISI interval (March 1, 1996 to February 28, 2006).

In a telephone communication on May 24, 2001, CNS Licensing and ISI Program representatives discussed questions regarding relief request RI-32 with NRC Nuclear Reactor Regulation representatives. Since the original submittal of RI-32, the industry has made progress certifying personnel per the 10CFR 50.55a rule change (Reference: Federal Register Vol. 64, No. 183 dated September 22, 1999). Some of these individuals will be available to support inspections during the Fall 2001 refueling outage at CNS. Therefore, the District no longer requires this specific relief and hereby withdraws ISI Relief Request RI-32, Revision 0.

The District appreciates the time and effort expended by the NRC on the review of this and the other relief requests submitted in the above reference. In order to support planning for the Fall 2001 refueling outage (tentatively scheduled to commence November 2, 2001), the District requests NRC approval of the remaining relief requests no later than August 31, 2001.

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Should you have any additional questions, please contact David F. Kunsemiller, CNS Risk and Regulatory Affairs Manager, at 402-825-5236.

Sincerely,



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ATTACHMENT 3 LIST OF REGULATORY COMMITMENTS

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The following table identifies those actions committed to by the District in this document. Any other actions discussed in the submittal represent intended or planned actions by the District. They are described for information only and are not regulatory commitments. Please notify the NL&S Manager at Cooper Nuclear Station of any questions regarding this document or any associated regulatory commitments.

COMMITMENT	COMMITTED DATE OR OUTAGE
None	N/A