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Subject: Additional Information – License Amendment Request No. 249 –  
Containment Integrity During Refueling Operations

Three Mile Island, Unit 1 (TMI Unit 1)  
Facility Operating License No. DPR-50  
NRC Docket No. 50-289

This letter provides additional information in response to NRC verbal request for additional information as discussed with NRC staff on September 10, 2001, regarding the TMI Unit 1 License Amendment Request No. 249 submitted for NRC review on January 23, 2001.

TMI Unit 1 administrative controls will require that qualified personnel be designated, that required tools or equipment be identified and staged, and that required guidance be provided to ensure that containment closure is achieved within 45 minutes following the decision to isolate containment.

The following commitment will be included as a Category A commitment in the "Plan for the Long Range Planning Program for the Three Mile Island Nuclear Station – Unit 1" as provided in TMI Unit 1 Operating License Condition No. 2.c(9), prior to the start of the TMI Unit 1 1R14 outage.

"When handling irradiated fuel in the reactor building, a shiftly check and a daily verification (once per 24 hours) shall be performed to confirm that the Fuel Transfer Canal water level is >23 feet above the reactor vessel flange (Technical Specification 3.8.11)."

This additional information does not affect the conclusions of the previously submitted no significant hazards consideration or environmental consideration evaluations supporting this license amendment request.

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If any additional information is needed, please do not hesitate to contact us.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Very truly yours,

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Attachment: Summary of AmerGen Commitments

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### SUMMARY OF AMERGEN COMMITMENTS

The following table identifies commitments made in this document by AmerGen. (Any other actions discussed in the submittal represent intended or planned actions by AmerGen. They are described to the NRC for the NRC's information and are not regulatory commitments.)

| COMMITMENT  | COMMITTED DATE<br>OR "OUTAGE" |
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| TMI Unit 1 administrative controls will require that qualified personnel be designated, that required tools or equipment be identified and staged, and that required guidance be provided to ensure that containment closure is achieved within 45 minutes following the decision to isolate containment.   | 1R14                          |
| <p>The following commitment will be included as a Category A commitment in the "Plan for the Long Range Planning Program for the Three Mile Island Nuclear Station – Unit 1" as provided in TMI Unit 1 Operating License Condition No. 2.c(9), prior to the start of the TMI Unit 1 1R14 outage.</p> <p>“When handling irradiated fuel in the reactor building, a shiftly check and a daily verification (once per 24 hours) shall be performed to confirm that the Fuel Transfer Canal water level is &gt;23 feet above the reactor vessel flange (Technical Specification 3.8.11).”</p> | 1R14                          |
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