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Correspondence Response Sheet

Date: June 26, 2000

To: Chairman Meserve
Commissioner Dicus
Commissioner Diaz
Commissioner McGaffigan
Commissioner Merrifield

I concur, with the attached
edits.

Nils J. Diaz
Nils J. Diaz 06/28/00

From: Annette Vietti-Cook, Secretary

Subject: Letter to Representative Sue W. Kelly concerns the safety
of operations at the Indian Point 2 plant

ACTION: Please comment/concur and respond to the Office of the
Secretary by:

Time: 11:30 a.m.
Day: Wednesday
Date: July 5, 2000

Comment:

Contact: George Wunder, EDO/NRR
415-1494

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

CHAIRMAN

The Honorable Sue W. Kelly
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-3219

Dear Congresswoman Kelly:

I am responding to your letter of May 26, 2000, in which you expressed continued concern about the safety of operations at the Indian Point Nuclear Generating Unit No. 2 (IP2). ~~For~~ *following* ~~specifically expressed concern about~~ the steam generator tube failure at IP2 on February 15,

~~2000, and about the efforts being undertaken by~~ our Office of the Inspector General (OIG).

You also requested that we take into consideration the report from

when NRC staff makes its decision regarding the restart of IP-2.

Following the tube failure event, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission dispatched an

Augmented Inspection Team (AIT) to IP2. The AIT determined that, though there were some areas in which there is room for improvement, the systems and procedures in place at IP2, including emergency preparedness procedures, are adequate. A detailed report of the AIT findings was forwarded to you electronically on April 28, 2000.

Subsequently,

Since the February 15, 2000, event, the plant's owner, Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. (Con Ed), inspected the tubes in all four steam generators. As a result of this inspection, Con Ed removed some tubes from service. Con Ed evaluated the tube inspection data and concluded in its Operational Assessment Report of June 2, 2000, that there is reasonable assurance that the tubes that have been left in service will maintain their structural integrity for 10 months of operation. Con Ed has stated their intention to begin replacement of