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Mr. James E. Dyer, Administrator United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission Region III 801 Warrenville Road Lisle, IL 60532-4351

Subject: Request for Suspension of Review of Repair Plans for the Davis-Besse Nuclear

Power Station, Unit 1 Reactor Pressure Vessel Head

Dear Mr. Dyer:

The purpose of this letter is to request suspension of the NRC Staff's review of the Repair Plans for the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station (DBNPS), Unit 1 that was transmitted by FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company (FENOC) letter Serial Number 1-1271, dated April 25, 2002. On May 23, 2002, FENOC notified the NRC Staff that it had purchased the unused Midland Nuclear Plant reactor pressure vessel head, and that the replacement of the head was the preferred option for returning the DBNPS to service. Therefore, the repair option as previously discussed in letter Serial Number 1-1271 is no longer being actively pursued as the primary option. However, since the option could potentially still be considered in the future depending on various factors, the NRC Staff's review of the repair plans is requested to be suspended at this time only. FENOC will notify the NRC Staff in the future of any change in this status.

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact Mr. Patrick J. McCloskey, Manager-Regulatory Affairs, at (419) 321-7148.

Very truly yours,

Attachment

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COMMITMENT LIST

The following list identifies those actions committed to by the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station (DBNPS) in this document. Any other actions discussed in the submittal represent intended or planned actions by the DBNPS. They are described only for information and are not regulatory commitments. Please notify the Manager - Regulatory Affairs (419-321-7148) at the DBNPS of any questions regarding this document or associated regulatory commitments.

COMMITMENTS

DUE DATE

None