September 26, 2002

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We have discussed this with your staff and it was agreeable to your staff to respond to this RAI and provide comments within 60 days from receipt of this letter.

If you have questions regarding this letter or are unable to meet this response schedule, please contact me by phone on (301) 415-1441 or by electronic mail at gsv@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

<u>CONCERNING</u>

INDIAN POINT UNIT 2

IMPROVED TS REVIEW COMMENTS

ITS SECTION 3.5.3, EMERGENCY CORE COOLING SYSTEM (ECCS) SHUTDOWN

BEYOND SCOPE ISSUE NO. 1

The proposed limiting condition for operation (LCO) 3.5.3 requires that for Mode 4, one ECCS Residual Heat Removal (RHR) subsystem and one ECCS Recirculation subsystem be OPERABLE. The Bases section for LCO 3.5.3 (page B 3.5.3-1) states that the required LCO is "to ensure that sufficient ECCS flow is available to the core following a DBA [design-basis accident]." Provide the results of analysis to support the acceptance of the cited statement in the Bases section for the LCO 3.5.3. In the submittal, identify the limiting DBA used to determine the required ECCS flow and show the available ECCS flow is greater than the required flow.