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Mr. R. W. Wells, Chairman  
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Dear Mr. Wells:

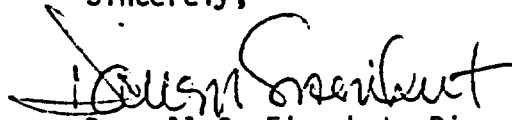
SUBJECT: SAFETY EVALUATION OF "EMERGENCY PROCEDURE GUIDELINES"

The NRC staff has reviewed the proposed CE Emergency Procedure Guideline (EPG) Program as described in your letters of November 22, 1982 (RWW-82-67) and March 29, 1983 (RWW-83-15), and in the material accompanying those letters. We have concluded that the guidelines are acceptable for implementation and will provide improved guidance for emergency operating procedure development. We encourage timely implementation of the EPGs and are available to work with you and the owner's group staff regarding any questions you may have on this Safety Evaluation Report (SER). We are sending a generic letter to the Combustion Engineering licensees and applicants that provides them with the Safety Evaluation Report. Our thoughts on the implementation program were forwarded to you by letter dated February 4, 1983.

We have identified in the enclosed SER a number of items associated with the guidelines which need further work by the Combustion Engineering Owners Group. Notably, the EPGs do not incorporate reactor vessel level instrumentation in general or the CE Heated Junction Thermocouple (HJTC) in particular. The NRC does not intend to allow utilization of this instrumentation until the guidelines for its use have been approved. Since several CE plants currently have the HJTC installed, we require that you provide a revision to the EPGs to address the vessel level instrumentation within 90 days of the date of this letter.

Additionally, we require that you address the long term items identified in the SER, either incorporating them into a future guidelines revision or otherwise justifying your disposition of the item. Your plans for addressing these items should be submitted to us by no later than 90 days after the date of this letter.

Sincerely,

  
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