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REPORTABLE DEFICIENCY - WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT - UNEXPECTED SOIL CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED DURING EXCAVATION OF INTAKE CHANNEL

Gentlemen:

Thank you for your letter dated November 16, 1976, which forwarded an interim report pursuant to 10 CFR 50.55(e)(3) regarding the above referenced item. Should we have any questions regarding this matter prior to the receipt of your final report, we will contact you.

Your cooperation is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

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