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Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D. C. 20555

Attention: Mr. Albert Schwencer, Chief

Operating Reactors Branch No. 1 Division of Operating Reactors

Subject: Indian Point 3 Nuclear Power Plant

Docket No. 50-286

Steam Generator Tube Leak

Dear Sir:

In response to your letter of August 27, 1979 and in accordance with the phone conversation of the Authority's staff and your Messrs. Olshan, Strosnider and Liaw on September 7, 1979, the Authority hereby provides additional information on the subject item.

The Authority will perform inspection of tubes at the hardspot regions between the support plate flow slots. These additional inspections (five tubes) are indicated on the attached map of the Westinghouse Model 44 steam generator.

The Authority will gauge the tubes in the Indian Point 3 Steam Generators Nos. 32 and 33 using 720, 650, 610 and 540 mil eddy current probes. Tubes will be plugged if the 540 mil probe fails to traverse the tube. The Authority is considering gauging of tubes adjacent to those where extensive denting has occurred. The extent of the additional gauging to be performed will be decided by the Authority depending upon the general condition of the steam generator as determined by this inspection.

As discussed during the above mentioned phone conversation, the Authority has reoriented the tubes to be inspected in the interior of the steam generator (i.e.; on a column basis versus row basis) to permit easier identification by the operator of the tubes to be inspected. This reorientation is indicated on the attached map. There is no change in the number of tubes to be inspected.

The Authority will proceed with its eddy current inspection program for the outage beginning September 15, 1979 based on the attached map.

Very truly yours,

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