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Attention: Mr. Steven A. Varga, Chief

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Division of Licensing

Subject:

Indian Point 3 Nuclear Power Plant

Docket No. 50-286

Purging and Venting of Containment

Dear Sir:

By letter dated July 1, 1981, you requested information concerning the purging and venting of the Indian Point 3 Nuclear Power Plant containment. The Authority's February 11, 1982 letter (IPN-82-18) provided a partial response to your aforementioned letter. Attachment A to this letter addresses the remaining requests for information contained in Enclosure 3 to your July 1, 1981 letter. Items I.3 and I.4 cannot be answered until the final determination is made concerning the number of steam generator tubes to be plugged and/or sleeved.

In addition, Attachment B to this letter provides the Authority's responses to additional NRC questions regarding the demonstration of operability of the purge and vent valves, thusly, addressing the valve operability item contained in your July 1, 1981 letter.

Should you or your staff have any questions please contact Mr. J. Lamberski of my staff.

Very truly yours,

J/P. Bayne Senior Vice President Nuclear Generation

cc: attached

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