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Attention: Mr. Steven A. Varga, Chief
Operating Reactors Branch No. 1
Division of Licensing

Subject: Indian Point 3 Nuclear Power Plant
Docket No. 50-286
Steam Generators Snubbers Functional Testing

References: 1. NYPA letter (J.P. Bayne) to NRC (S.A. Varga)
dated 8/13/84 - Proposed Changes to the
Technical Specifications Related to Snubber
Surveillance.
2. NRC letter (J.D. Neighbors) to NYPA (C.A.
McNeill, Jr.) dated 4/2/85 - Amendment No. 52
to FOL No. DPR-64 for Indian Point 3.

Dear Sir:

This letter fulfills a commitment made in Reference 1 to provide, prior to startup from the Cycle 4/5 refueling outage, the method and frequency for functional testing of the steam generators snubbers. The primary method will be in place testing with the alternate being on a bench test. This functional testing will commence during the Cycle 5/6 refueling outage and performed thereafter at least once per 18 months during plant shutdown in accordance with Technical Specifications. Also, in accordance with the current IP-3 Technical Specifications for snubber surveillance transmitted via Reference 2, a representative sample of 10% of all steam generators snubbers will be selected to perform this functional test for snubber operability.

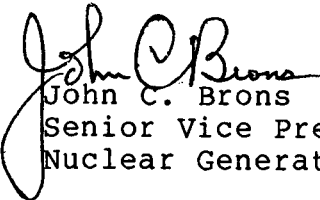
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Should you or your staff have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. P. Kokolakis of my staff.

Very truly yours,


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