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SUBJECT: Indian Point 3 Nuclear Power Plant  
Docket No. 50-286  
James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant  
Docket No. 50-333  
**Individual Plant Examinations - Response to  
NRC Request for Submittal Schedule Reassessment**

- REFERENCE:
1. NRC Letter, N. F. Conicella to R. E. Beedle, dated July 21, 1992, "Revised Date for IPE Submittal - Generic Letter 88-20 - Indian Point Nuclear Generating Unit No. 3."
  2. NRC Letter, N. F. Conicella to R. E. Beedle, dated June 29, 1992, "Review of Response to Generic Letter 88-20, Supplement No. 4 - Indian Point Nuclear Generating Unit No. 3."
  3. NRC Letter, R. A. Plasse to R. E. Beedle, dated June 26, 1992, "Review of Response to Generic Letter 88-20, Supplement 4 - James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant."

Dear Sir:

As requested by the referenced letters, the Authority has reassessed its schedule for submittal of the Indian Point 3 Nuclear Power Plant (IP3) Individual Plant Examination of Internal Events (IPE), the IP3 Individual Plant Examination of External Events (IPEEE), and the James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant (JAF) IPEEE. For the reasons stated below, the Authority's reassessment reaffirms the previously projected submittal dates of these plant examinations.

The plant examinations required by NRC Generic Letter 88-20 will be performed primarily by in-house personnel. These personnel are currently divided between the maintenance of the JAF IPE and the performance of the IP3 IPE. Upon completion of the IP3 IPE, these personnel will begin work on the JAF IPEEE and IP3 IPEEE while continuing to maintain the JAF and IP3 IPEs. Additionally, these personnel are currently and will continue

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to be involved in the effort required to facilitate the NRC's detailed review of the JAF IPE. Since there is a large work load associated with Generic Letter 88-20 and the Authority is using primarily in-house personnel, the NRC requested completion dates for the plant examinations are not attainable goals for the Authority.

Additionally, since the Authority needs to perform the plant examinations for two plants located on different sites, the scope of the technical effort needed to perform the required analyses is large. Also, the Authority is taking this opportunity to perform analyses which are beyond the scope of NRC requirements. The Authority's previously provided schedule for completion of the plant examinations takes these factors into account and, therefore, represents a realistic estimate for completing the tasks associated with Generic Letter 88-20.

The Authority has attempted to provide the NRC with realistic estimates for the completion dates of the plant examinations so that both the Authority and the NRC can plan appropriately. The Authority's schedule takes into account the refueling schedules of the plants and the effort required to coordinate the seismic IPEEE with the resolution of Unresolved Safety Issue A-46. The current refueling schedules for JAF and IP3 will not permit the plant walkdowns required for the seismic IPEEE to be performed any earlier than the first quarter of 1994 and the second quarter of 1994, respectively.

The Authority's current schedules for completion of the IP3 IPE, the IP3 IPEEE, and the JAF IPEEE do not include the additional time and resources which may be required during NRC review of these analyses.

The Authority is willing to meet with the NRC to further discuss the above schedules. If you have any questions or would like to arrange a meeting, please contact Mr. P. Kokolakis or Mr. J.A. Gray, Jr.

Very truly yours,



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