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**SUBJECT: Indian Point 3 Nuclear Power Plant  
NRC Bulletin 93-02  
Debris Plugging Of Emergency Core  
Cooling Suction Strainers**

Dear Sir:

In the subject Bulletin, the NRC requested licensees to identify fibrous air filters or other temporary sources of fibrous materials, not designed to withstand a loss-of-coolant accident (LOCA), which are installed or stored in the primary containment, and to take compensatory measures to assure the functional capability of the emergency core cooling systems (ECCS).

In response to the Bulletin, the Authority investigated the NRC concern, and has concluded that fibrous air filters are not generally used inside the IP3 primary containment. Fibrous air filters were only used at IP3 for the steam generator replacement during the cycle 6/7 refueling outage. These filters were then removed in accordance with a temporary modification procedure. Other potential sources of clogging materials, such as flammable materials, plastic sheeting, shoe covers, paper, rags, wood etc., that could possibly clog the ECCS sumps, are all removed prior to going above cold shutdown. Removal of these potential clogging materials is done in accordance with the IP3 System Operating Procedure for containment entry and egress. A temporary procedure change notice has been generated against this procedure which will be revised by June 10, 1993 to specifically include fibrous materials such as air filters,

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cotton liners and wipes. Also, the recirculation and containment sumps, which act as water sources for the Low Head Safety Injection (LHSI) Recirculation pumps and the Residual Heat Removal (RHR) pumps respectively, are both specifically inspected prior to pump testing to ensure that their gratings are in place, that each sump is clean and free of foreign materials and that their installed screens are intact.

The commitment made by the Authority is listed in Attachment 1. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. J. Comiotes at (914)736-8029.

Very truly yours,

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STATE OF NEW YORK  
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Subscribed and Sworn to before me  
this 14 day of April 1993.

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ATTACHMENT 1

LIST OF COMMITMENTS MADE IN LETTER IPN-93-052

<u>COMMITMENT #</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>DUE DATE</u>
IPN-93-052-01	IP3 System Operating Procedure for containment entry and egress to be revised.	June 10, 1993