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Mr. Paul F. Collins, Chief Operating Licensing Branch Division of Reactor Licensing

Dear Paul,

As is typical of present day Nuclear Power Plants, Indian Point Unit No. 2 is undergoing substantial licensing delays. As there is no positive end to the Operating License Hearings in sight at this time, we recognize a need to assure ourselves and yourself that our already licensed operators (12 men licensed in April of 1971 and 4 men licensed in May of 1971) remain proficient in all areas of plant operation and are kept abreast of all changes in facility design.

The following is a synopsis of the program we are employing to retain and improve the degree of competence displayed by our licensed personnel:

- 1. All licensed staff personnel are engaged in writing and reviewing pre and post core load operating and test procedures which deal with detailed plant operation.
- 2. All licensed shift personnel are engaged in the around-theclock check-out, performance and evaluation of the aforementioned procedures.
- 3. Lines of communication (log books, night order books and distribution lists) have been established for transferring information between all interested parties.
- 4. All training material is kept current and a complete training file was established in the Central Control Room.
- 5. Following core loading, which is anticipated to take place in late September, another hot functional test will be performed. This will serve as an excellent opportunity to refamiliarize the operators with system operations and integrated plant control.

- 6. Prior to initial criticality all licensed shift personnel will partake in a formal full time training program whose goals will include:
  - A. A review of all operating procedures.
  - B. A review of all emergency procedures.
  - C. A review of the power ascension program including the associated test procedures.
  - D. A review of all administrative procedures.

We feel this program will more than assure the retention of the satisfactory degree of proficiency demonstrated by our operators to your examiners.

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Very truly yours,

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