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INDIAN POINT NO. 3 NUCLEAR POWER PLANT

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Boyce H. Grier, Director
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region 1
631 Park Avenue
King of Prussia, Pennsylvania 19406


Audibility Problems Encountered
on Evacuation of Personnel from
High-Noise Areas
Bulletin No. 79-18

Dear Mr. Grier:

During the recent refueling outage, a survey was conducted within the primary containment and auxiliary buildings to determine the adequacy of the present evacuation notification system. The survey was conducted while the unit was at hot standby with the vast majority of equipment including the reactor coolant pumps in operation. Particular attention was placed on high noise areas (pumps, heat exchangers, and HVAC equipment).

The results of the survey indicated a need to upgrade the existing system in certain areas where audibility problems were encountered. For those areas, additional alarm devices will be provided as required. The necessary design work shall be initiated in the near future and an installation schedule submitted as soon as it is available.

Very truly yours,


J. P. Bayne
Resident Manager

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cc: Office of Inspection and Enforcement
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