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Mr. Robert M. Gallo, Chief  
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Dear Mr. Gallo:

The cover letter transmitting Inspection Report 87-17 identified a concern with Station Battery No. 33 and requested a response to the specific issues concerning the battery addressed in the inspection report.

We have reviewed Inspection Report 87-17 and share your interest in improving the programs which deal with safety related station batteries at Indian Point 3. The issues noted in Inspection Report 87-17 have been under review and improvements in our battery preventive maintenance program were already in progress during the time of this inspection. Inspection Report 87-08 also addressed issues related to station batteries and included a request for information concerning planned actions regarding battery preventive maintenance.

Improvements in battery preventive maintenance program have been developed and implemented. The specifics of these improvements will be provided in our response to Inspection Report 87-08 on or about November 1, 1987. The response to the concerns noted in Inspection Report 87-17 will be provided at that time.

In the interim, as an immediate corrective action for the issues of concern with Station Battery No. 33 all station batteries were disassembled, cleaned, reassembled and fully functionally tested during the cycle 5/6 refueling outage. This extensive maintenance effort ensures that all station batteries are in peak condition. A weekly surveillance has been implemented to visually verify that station battery conditions remain at this standard. Changes were also made to monthly and quarterly surveillance tests to aid identification of potential battery problems.

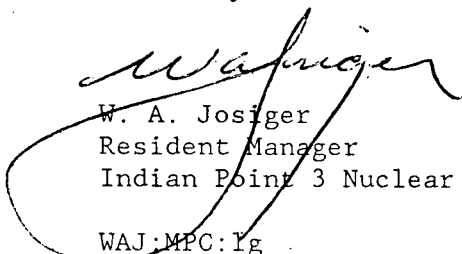
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Should you or your staff have any questions regarding this matter,  
please contact Mr. M. Cass of my staff.

Sincerely,



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