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Dear Mr. Grier:

This letter provides clarification of our 9/12/80 response, (IP-CMC-9902) to I. E. Bulletin 80-20, "Failures of Westinghouse Type W-2 Spring Return to Neutral Control Switches".

In the 9/12/80 response, the Authority stated that testing of the Type W-2 Switches would be performed on a monthly basis or after each manipulation of the 38 switches.

However the Authority wishes to clarify its statement by requiring the continuity testing on a monthly basis or after each manipulation of the 38 switches whenever the plant is above the cold shutdown condition. During a plant startup from a cold shutdown condition, all 38 switches will be tested prior to the required operability of the associated equipment for plant operation. This testing will continue until the status light indication is installed as stated in our 9/12/80 response.

On 2/9/81, this matter was discussed with Mr. E. G. Greenman of your staff who has indicated that this is an acceptable method of compliance.

Very truly yours,

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