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SUBJECT: ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT FOR INDIAN POINT NUCLEAR GENERATING UNIT NO. 3
(TAC NO. M97785)

Dear Mr. Knubel:

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The amendment revises Technical Specifications Requirements for containment leakage testing to add several containment isolation valves and to implement the requirements of 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix J, Option B for performance-based primary reactor containment leakage testing.

A copy of the related Safety Evaluation is enclosed. A Notice of Issuance will be included in the Commission's next regular biweekly Federal Register notice.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:

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Docket No. 50-286

Enclosures: 1. Amendment No. 174 to DPR-64
2. Safety Evaluation

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