

123 Main Street  
White Plains, New York 10601  
914 681.6950  
914 287.3309 (Fax)



**James Knubel**  
Senior Vice President and  
Chief Nuclear Officer

January 6, 1999  
IPN-99-001  
JPN-99-001

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Attn: Document Control Desk  
Washington, DC 20555

Subject: Indian Point 3 Nuclear Power Plant  
Docket No. 50-286  
James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant  
Docket No. 50-333  
**Severe Accident Management Closure**

- References:
1. NYPA Letter, W. J. Cahill, Jr. to NRC, "Severe Accident Management," IPN-95-040/JPN-95-018, dated March 28, 1995.
  2. NYPA Letter, J. Knubel to NRC, "Severe Accident Management Implementation," IPN-98-050/JPN-98-016, dated May 7, 1998.
  3. NEI Letter, W. H. Rasin to Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, "Formal Industry Position on Severe Accident Management", dated November 21, 1994.
  4. Report NEI 91-04, Revision 1, "Severe Accident Issue Closure Guidelines", prepared by the Nuclear Energy Institute, dated December 1994.
- 1/0

Dear Sir:

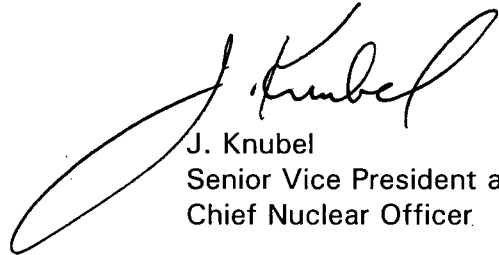
The purpose of this letter is to inform the NRC staff that the New York Power Authority's Indian Point 3 and James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plants have implemented a severe accident management program as committed to in References 1 and 2. The implementation is similar to the industry position on severe accident management approved by the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) Nuclear Strategic Issues Advisory Committee on November 4, 1994. The NEI formal position was previously communicated to the NRC in Reference 3. The implementation guidance provided in Reference 4 was utilized to implement the Authority's severe accident management improvements.

ADD/

9901130017 990106  
PDR ADDCK 05000286  
PDR

There are no commitments contained in this letter. If you have any questions, please contact Charlene D. Faison.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Knubel', with a large, sweeping loop at the end.

J. Knubel  
Senior Vice President and  
Chief Nuclear Officer

cc: Regional Administrator  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
475 Allendale Road  
King of Prussia, PA 19406-1415

Office of the Resident Inspector  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
P.O. Box 136  
Lycoming, NY 13093

Resident Inspector's Office  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
P.O. Box 337  
Buchanan, NY 10511

Mr. J. Williams, Project Manager  
Project Directorate I-1  
Division of Reactor Projects-I/II  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Mail Stop 14B2  
Washington, DC 20555-0001

Mr. George F. Wunder, Project Manager  
Project Directorate I-1  
Division of Reactor Projects - I/II  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Mail Stop 14B2  
Washington, DC 20555