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SUBJECT: Indian Point 3 Nuclear Power Plant Docket No. 50-286 **Proposed Change to the Technical Specifications** Regarding PORC Review of Fire Protection Program

Dear Sir:

This application for an amendment to the Indian Point 3 Technical Specifications (TS) proposes to delete the requirement for the Plant Operating Review Committee (PORC) to review the fire protection program and implementing procedures. This requirement, added when the Fire Protection Technical Specifications were relocated in accordance with Generic Letter 88-12, is being removed based on the policies found in Generic Letter 93-07. This proposal will reduce the administrative burden on the committee while making PORC's responsibilities more consistent with the other responsibilities described in Section 6.5.1.6 of the TS. PORC will continue to oversee changes to the Indian Point 3 fire protection program through its review of nuclear safety evaluations.

The signed original of the Application for Amendment to the Operating License is enclosed for filing. Attachment I contains the proposed new TS page and Attachment II is the Safety Evaluation for the proposed changes.

A copy of this application and the associated attachments is being provided to the designated New York State official in accordance with 10 CFR 50.91.

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No commitments are being made by the Authority in this submittal. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. C. D. Faison.

Very truly yours,

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Attachments: as stated

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