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Subject: Indian Point 3 Nuclear Power Plant
Docket No. 50-286
James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant
Docket No. 50-333
Revised Schedule for the Submittal of the Improved Technical Specifications

- References:
1. NYPA letter, W. J. Cahill, Jr. to NRC (JPN-96-042/IPN-96-115), "Improved Technical Specifications," dated November 5, 1996.
 2. NYPA letter, J. Knubel to NRC (JPN-97-010/IPN-97-035), "Response to Request for Additional Information Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.54(f) Regarding Adequacy and Availability of Design Bases Information," dated March 10, 1997.

Dear Sir:

The Authority formally notified the NRC in Reference 1 of the plans to convert to the Improved Standard Technical Specifications at the Indian Point 3 and FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plants. The purpose of this letter is to inform the NRC that the date for submittal of the license amendment request for each plant has been changed from the fourth quarter of 1997 to the fourth quarter of 1998. This date extension is due to the commitments associated with the response to the 10 CFR 50.54(f) request for information (Reference 2). In Reference 2, the Authority committed to an FSAR verification program. This program and the Improved Technical Specification program utilize many of the same personnel resources. In addition, some of the information derived from the FSAR verification program is integral to the development of the Improved Technical Specifications. Therefore, the schedule for the conversion to the Improved Technical Specifications has been adjusted.

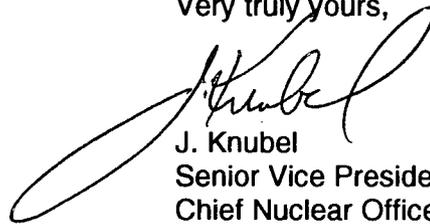
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Attachment I lists the commitments made in this submittal. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. C. D. Faison.

Very truly yours,



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Attachment: as stated

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COMMITMENT LIST

NEW YORK POWER AUTHORITY

INDIAN POINT 3 NUCLEAR POWER PLANT

DOCKET NO. 50-286-

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JAMES A. FITZPATRICK NUCLEAR POWER PLANT

DOCKET NO. 50-333

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Commitment List

Commitment No.	Commitment Description	Due Date
IPN-97-076-01 / JPN-97-021-01	Submit the license amendment requests for Indian Point 3 and FitzPatrick to convert to the Standard Technical Specifications.	Fourth Quarter of 1998