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Subject: Indian Point 3 Nuclear Power Plant
Docket No. 50-286
License No. DPR-64
**Proposed Changes to Technical Specifications
Regarding Setpoint Change of Automatic
Reactor Trip on Turbine Trip**

Dear Sir:

This application for amendment to the Indian Point 3 Technical Specification proposes to revise section 2.3.1.C.(3), 2.3.2.B, Table 3.5-2, item 12, Table 4.1-1, item 21 and associated bases to change the setpoint of the automatic reactor trip on turbine trip to at or below the P-8 setpoint (must be unblocked at $\geq 50\%$ power). It also proposes to remove the last sentence in section 2.3.2.A regarding overspeed testing, based on the change to 2.3.2.B.

Enclosed for filing is the signed original of a document entitled, "Application for Amendment to Operating License." Attachment I to the application contains the proposed changes to the Technical Specification, Attachment II contains the associated safety evaluation, and a mark-up of the affected Technical Specification pages is provided in Attachment III, for information only. Enclosure I contains the Westinghouse setpoint analysis reports supporting deletion of reactor trip on turbine trip below P-8 (SECL-97-140, Rev. 2). Enclosure 1 is a non-proprietary report.

In accordance with 10 CFR 50.91, a copy of this application and the associated attachments are being submitted to the designated New York State official.

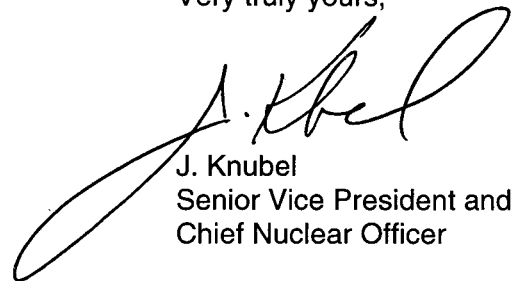
As this Technical Specification change will impact startup from the next refueling outage at Indian Point 3, it is requested that this license amendment request be dispositioned prior to startup from the outage, scheduled for late October 1999.

The Authority is making no new commitments in this letter.

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If you have any questions, please contact Mr. K. Peters at (914) 736-8029.

Very truly yours,



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Attachments
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