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Subject:

**Indian Point 3 Nuclear Power Plant** 

**Docket No. 50-286** 

**Proposed Technical Specification Change** 

**Associated With DNB Limits** 

Dear Sir:

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This application for amendment seeks to revise Appendix A (Section 3.1) of the Indian Point 3 Technical Specifications (TS). As discussed at a meeting between Westinghouse, the NRC, and the Authority on March 17, 1999, this TS change will remove the footnote restriction found on page 3.1-36 which states that the departure from nucleate boiling (DNB) analysis contains adequate margin for Cycle 10, but needs to be reviewed/approved prior to Cycle 11.

Enclosed for filing is the signed original of a document entitled, "Application for Amendment to Operating License," together with Attachments I and II, comprising a statement of the proposed changes to the Technical Specifications and the associated Safety Evaluation. A mark-up of the affected Technical Specification page is provided in Attachment III.

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 the next refueling outage at Indian Point 3, it is requested that this license amendment request be dispositioned prior to the start of the outage, scheduled for September 10, 1999.

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Very truly yours,

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Attachments: As stated

cc: Regional Administrator

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