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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission ATTN: Document Control Desk Washington, D.C. 20555

SUBJECT:

Indian Point 3 Nuclear Power Plant Docket No. 50-286 License No. DPR-64 Licensee Event Report # 97-029-00 Plant Potentially Outside Design Basis Due To New Information Indicating Some Fuel Rods May Have The Pellet-To-Clad Gap Reopen Causing The Clad Oxidation Limit To Be Exceeded

Dear Sir:

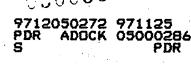
The attached Licensee Event Report (LER) 97-029-00 is hereby submitted as required by 10 CFR 50.73. This event is of the type defined in 10 CFR 50.73 (a)(2)(ii)(B).

Also attached is the commitment made by the Authority in this LER.

Very truly yours,

Robert J. Barrett Site Executive Officer Indian Point 3 Nuclear Power Plant

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## **Commitment List**

Number	Commitment	Due
IPN-97-161-01	If Industry information submitted to the NRC does not resolve this issue for Indian Point 3, NYPA will supplement LER 97-029 to identify the results of plant specific corrective action.	Prior to exceeding the burnup limit