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SUBJECT: Requests addl time to respond to 810421 request for addl info re implementation of 10CFR50 App J containment leakage testing.

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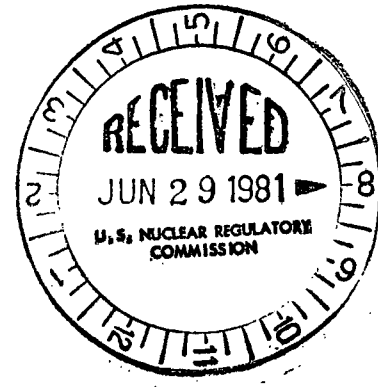
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June 22, 1981



Mr. Steven A. Varga, Chief
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Dear Mr. Varga:

Implementation of 10CFR50
Appendix J. Containment Leakage Testing

RE: Letter to E. R. Mathews from S. A. Varga dated April 21, 1981

In your letter of April 21, 1981, you requested additional information within 60 days in order to complete your review of Proposed Amendment No. 23 to the Kewaunee Nuclear Power Plant Technical Specifications and Operating License. Proposed Amendment No. 23, which was submitted to your office on January 4, 1977, modified the containment leakage testing requirements in our technical specifications by referencing and requesting specific exemptions from the requirements of 10CFR50, Appendix J.

In reviewing our proposed amendment, we have found that it has become out-dated. Since Proposed Amendment No. 23 was submitted to your office, the containment air lock testing requirements of Appendix J have been revised (amended September 22, 1980, effective October 22, 1980). In addition, several systems requiring leakage testing by Appendix J have been incorporated into our In-Service Inspection Program which was submitted to your office as Proposed Amendment No. 25C on May 1, 1981.

In light of these developments, we find that a thorough review of our Containment Leakage Testing Program and the requirements of 10CFR50, Appendix J, is warranted. Therefore, we are requesting additional time to respond to your request for additional information. Our response will be submitted by August 14, 1981.

Very truly yours,

E. R. Mathews, Senior Vice President
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