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Mr. James G. Keppler, Director  
Office of Inspection & Enforcement  
Region III  
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
799 Roosevelt Road  
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Dear Sir:

Docket 50-305  
Operating License DPR-43  
Kewaunee Nuclear Power Plant  
Bulletin 79-18: Audibility Problems Encountered on Evacuation  
of Personnel from High Noise Areas

Reference: Letter from E. R. Mathews to James G. Keppler dated July 13, 1980.

The intent of this letter is to clarify our statement in the above referenced letter that during the evacuation and plant emergency alarm tests conducted during our 1980 refueling outage, no safety related problems were found, and the alarms were clearly audible in all areas tested.

The tests did identify one area where the alarms were not audible; the shield building annulus does not contain any speakers for the alarms. A design change request has been processed to install speakers in the annulus; however, this is not a safety concern because the shield building annulus is normally unoccupied during operation, and entry into the annulus is administratively controlled. In the event that evacuation of the annulus is necessary or a plant emergency is declared, personnel in the annulus will be notified promptly.

Very truly yours,

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