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Mr. R. F. Heishman, Chief Reactor Operations and Nuclear Support Branch U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Region III 799 Roosevelt Road Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Dear Mr. Heishman:

Docket 50-305 Operating License DPR-43 IE Inspection Report No. 50-305/81-03

The subject report was issued following a routine inspection conducted by Messrs R. L. Nelson and B. E. Fitzpatrick on February 1-28, 1981, of activities at the Kewaunee Nuclear Power Plant. One item was identified as a non-compliance and cited by this report. The attachment to this letter provides our response to this item.

Very truly yours,

E. R. Mathews, Vice President Power Supply & Engineering

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Attach.

cc - Mr. Robert Nelson, NRC Resident Inspector RR #1, Box 999, Kewaunee, WI 54216

Subscribed and Sworn to
Before Me This 13th Day
of April 1981

Notary Public, State of Wisconsin

My Commission Expires: March 24, 1985

ATTACHMENT

ITEM:

As a result of the inspection by R. L. Nelson and B. E. Fitzpatrick, an alleged item of non-compliance was identified against Tech Spec Section 3.3.a.2.B, which states:

One residual heat removal pump may be taken out of service, provided the pump is restored to operable status within 24 hours. The other residual heat removal pump shall be tested to demonstrate operability prior to initiating repair of the inoperable pump.

RESPONSE:

A review of the incident revealed that the non-compliance was a result of operator error. The Licensed Operators involved failed to test the "A" Residual Heat Removal Pump for operability prior to removing "B" Residual Heat Removal Pump from service. To prevent recurrence of these errors, a discussion was held with the personnel involved, stressing the importance to follow Tech Specs when removing a Residual Heat Removal Pump from service.

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