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Mr. James G. Keppler, Director
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region III
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Dear Mr. Keppler:

Kewaunee Nuclear Power Plant
Operating License DPR-43
Docket 50-305
IE Bulletins 78-12, 78-12A and 78-12B

In a letter dated June 8, 1979 a generic report entitled "Atypical Weld Material in Reactor Pressure Vessel Welds" was sent to Mr. H. D. Thornburg, Division of Reactor Construction Inspection, NRC, by A. E. Scherer, Licensing Manager for Combustion Engineering, Inc., manufacturer of the reactor vessel at the Kewaunee Nuclear Power Plant. The report responds in detail to the Referenced Bulletin. Accompanying the report was a certification by Combustion Engineering that the subject report addresses all of the applicable materials used in the fabrication of the Kewaunee Nuclear Power Plant Reactor Vessel. Combustion Engineering found no evidence of the use of Atypical weld material in reactor pressure vessels constructed by them. Westinghouse Electric Corp. audited the content of the subject report against the ASME Code and Westinghouse E-Spec requirements for the Kewaunee Reactor Vessel and have concluded that the weld material data and other required information are included in the report.

The subject report does not include availability of archive weld materials requested by item 4 of Bulletin 78-12. Detailed information concerning vessel surveillance is contained in WCAP-8107, "Kewaunee Nuclear Power Plant Reactor Vessel Radiation Surveillance Program". An inventory of our archive surveillance weldment material which could be used for verification purposes on the Kewaunee Reactor Vessel shows this material consists of one full thickness weldment made up of weld wire from heat number IP3571 and Linde Flux 1092 from lot number 3958.

Very truly yours,

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