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Mr. James G. Keppler, Director
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Subject: Response to IE Bulletin 79-08
Letter dated August 2, 1979
File: A-101a

Dear Mr. Keppler:

This letter supercedes our response of September 24, 1979 regarding item 9 of the subject request for additional information.

Item No. 9

1. Technical Specifications and other documents may not include all relevant notification criteria required by item 9 of IEB 79-08. We note that at this time adequate guidance cannot be given on what constitutes an event requiring one hour notification. We will require a general statement concerning reactor operation in an uncontrolled or unexpected condition until sufficient experience is accumulated to warrant issuance of a specific set of notification criteria. Further, you must commit to notifying the NRC within one hour and to the establishment of an open continuous communication channel.

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Response:

Iowa Electric will notify the NRC within one hour if reactor operation is in an uncontrolled or unexpected condition.

We understand that the installation of the direct telephone communications link between NRC and the Control Room satisfies the open continuous communications channel requirement.

Very truly yours,


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