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Docket No. 50-331

Iowa Electric Light and Power
 Company
 ATTN: Mr. Duane Arnold
 President
 IE Towers
 Post Office Box 351
 Cedar Rapids, IA 52406

Gentlemen:

Thank you for your letter dated February 1, 1978, informing us of the steps you have taken to correct the noncompliance identified in our letter dated January 10, 1978. We will examine your corrective action during a future inspection.

Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Gaston Fiorelli, Chief
 Reactor Operations and
 Nuclear Support Branch

cc: Mr. J. A. Wallace,
 Vice President-Generation
 Mr. E. L. Hammond, Chief
 Engineer

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IOWA ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY

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February 1, 1978

JAMES A. WALLACE
VICE PRESIDENT - GENERATION

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

Re: Duane Arnold Energy Center
Subject: Response to letter, G. Fiorelli to
Duane Arnold, dated January 10, 1978
File: A-102 Inspection Report 77-22

Dear Mr. Keppler:

This letter is in response to Gaston Fiorelli's letter concerning an inspection of activities at the Duane Arnold Energy Center conducted on November 18, 28-30, December 1-2, and 7-9, 1977. The following response indicates the action which has been or will be taken to correct the item of noncompliance identified in Mr. Fiorelli's letter:

Infraction

Contrary to 10 CFR, Part 50, Appendix B, Criterion XII, and ACP 1406.4, paragraphs 5.3 and 5.5.1, certain measuring and test equipment had not been calibrated in accordance with the intervals specified and uncalibrated equipment was not being stored in a segregated area.

Response

1. Corrective action taken and the results achieved:

The instruments identified by the inspector as having expired calibration stickers have been removed from the instrument shop and placed in the calibration lab for calibration.

2. Corrective action to be taken to avoid further noncompliance:

As a result of the infraction noted by the inspector, a review of the program for control of measuring and test equipment was performed. The review identified the need for a more effective method for monitoring measuring and test equipment calibration and for ensuring continuity among instrument technicians assigned to the calibration lab. Electrical maintenance personnel are currently assigned calibration lab responsibilities on a weekly basis. In the future, electrical maintenance personnel will be

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assigned calibration lab responsibilities on a monthly basis and will be directed to inform the Electrical Maintenance Supervisor when they determine that a particular item of measuring and test equipment cannot be calibrated in accordance with the required schedule. The Electrical Maintenance Supervisor will then take the appropriate action to ensure that such equipment is removed from use and segregated in accordance with administrative control procedure requirements.

It should be noted that a reasonable amount of time must be allowed for the segregation of measuring and test equipment with expired calibration stickers. The current administrative control procedure for the control of measuring and test equipment (ACP 1406.4) does not provide such flexibility and it will be revised accordingly.

3. Date when full compliance will be achieved:

The corrective actions as described in Item 2 above will be completed by March 1, 1978.

Very truly yours,

Clery L. Hammond
for

J. A. Wallace
Vice President-Generation

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cc: Director, Office of Inspection and Enforcement
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555