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 Ltr 83-02, "NUREG-0737 Tech Specs" re Action Item II.E.4.1,
 "Dedicated Hydrogen Penetration." Purge/repressurization sys
 used as backup for combustible gas control.

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Reference: NG-83-1411, L. Root to H. Denton, April 25, 1983.

Dear Mr. Denton:

The purpose of this letter is to correct an erroneous statement in our referenced response to Generic Letter 83-02, "NUREG-0737 Technical Specifications." Item (3) of the attachment to NG-83-1411 incorrectly states that the DAEC does not use purge/repressurization systems. Item (3) of the attachment should read:

3) Dedicated Hydrogen Penetration (II.E.4.1)

The DAEC has an inerted BWR Mark I containment and does not use external hydrogen recombiners. The DAEC has a purge/repressurization system which can be used as a backup means for combustible gas control. The purge/repressurization system valves were originally included in the Technical Specifications for leakage testing. No modifications to the purge system were required to meet Item II.E.4.1 or 10 CFR 50.44. Therefore, no changes to the DAEC Technical Specifications are required.

We regret any inconvenience that this may have caused you.

Very truly yours,

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