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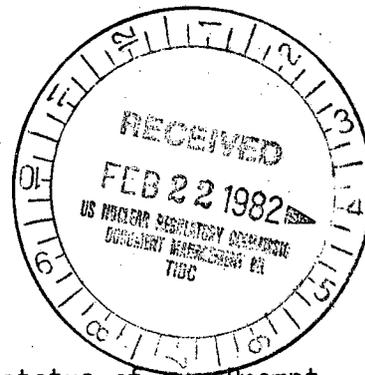
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Mr. James G. Keppler, Director
Office of Inspection and Enforcement
Region III
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Dear Mr. Keppler:

The following information, updating the status of our Prompt Notification System, is submitted as requested by Mr. Bill Axelson of your office during a telephone conversation with Mr. R.J. Portz of Iowa Electric Light and Power Company on February 3, 1982.

A visual inspection of each siren was conducted on January 26 and 29. The inspection consisted of observing each siren as it was rotated and as a message was transmitted over its public address system. Although public address is not a required siren capability, we believed that this method of testing would provide a means to assess the siren's capability to sound. The following is a summary of the deficiencies identified during this inspection:

- o two sirens could not be rotated nor could the public address system be activated
- o two sirens could not be rotated but the public address system could be activated
- o on three of the sirens the public address system could not be activated but the sirens could be rotated

It was subsequently determined during the monthly test conducted February 3 that one of the sirens, with an inoperable public address system, will make the required alerting tone.

The Civil Defense Directors in Linn and Benton Counties have been requested to include the areas covered by the malfunctioning sirens with those areas which are planned to be covered by mobile sirens. This method of alerting the public has been effectively demonstrated during past drills. The use of mobile sirens is described in the Linn and Benton County plans.

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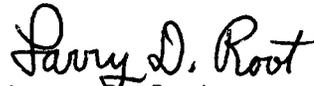
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We feel that adequate compensatory measures have been taken to assure prompt notification of the public. Barring any unanticipated delays, any and all deficiencies will be corrected well before June 1, 1982.

Very truly yours,



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