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SUBJECT: Offers no comment on util 841207 application for amend to License DPR-49, consisting of Proposed Change RTS-178, changing method of assessing new fuel & special nuclear fuel reactivity limits.

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Mr. Domenic B. Vassallo, Chief Operating Reactors Branch #2 Division of Licensing NRC Mailstop 416 U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555

RE: NRC/State Consultation pursuant to 10 CFR 50.91(b) effective May 6, 1983.

Dear Mr. Vassallo:

On December 27, 1984, this office received from Iowa Electric Light & Power Company a copy of its amendment (to Op License No. DPR-49) request dated December 7, 1984. The request related to changing the method of assessing new fuel and SNF reactivity limits. The request was identified as proposed change RTS-178.

On March 11, 1985, this office received the monthly notice of amendment applications to operating licenses involving no significant hazards consideration. AT 50 FR 7993 for February 27, 1985, the notice of the subject amendment request was included, and the basis of the NRC proposal for a no significant hazards consideration determination was explained.

This letter is to state that as the 10 CFR 50.91(b)(3) state consultation designated contact, I have no comment.

Very truly yours

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cc: Mr. Mohan Thadani - NRC ORD Div. Dir. File 1.1 50-331

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