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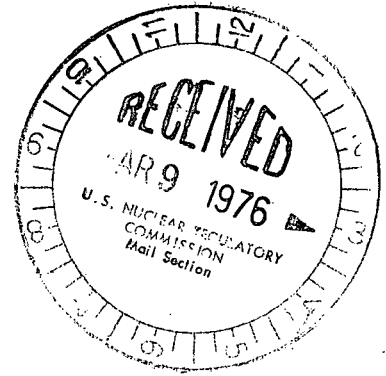
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Mr. Benard C. Rusche, Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20545

Dear Mr. Rusche:

On February 26, 1976 the Mark I owner's group met with you and your staff to discuss plans to increase margins of safety for the containment structures.

This letter confirms Iowa Electric's oral commitment to maintain a 1 psi differential pressure between the drywell and torus at the Duane Arnold Energy Center (DAEC) during operations unless other modifications to enhance safety margins have been approved by the NRC. The DAEC is presently shutdown for refueling and expects to startup about March 15, 1976.

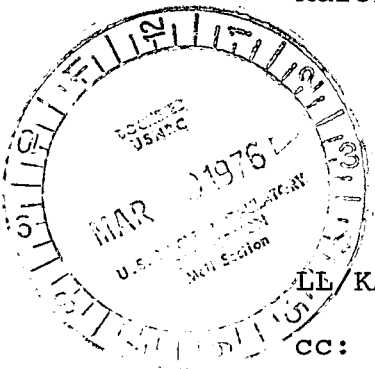
Very truly yours,

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