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SUBJECT: Discusses submittal of final upgraded emergency plans.
 Extension may be necessary, depending on content of pending
 NRC rules on emergency plans. Plan revisions proceeding on
 schedule targeted to meet 800801 submittal date.

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Upgraded Emergency Plans

In accordance with the regulatory requirements outlined in Mr D Eisenhut's letter of October 10, 1979, we submitted the subject plans prior to January 1, 1980. These plans were reviewed and were discussed in a series of meetings at the time the NRC Review Teams visited our sites early in February, 1980. At the site meetings it was indicated that formal written comments by team would be forthcoming promptly and following this we would revise the plans to reflect the team comments.

About the time of the team visit, a new upgraded guidance document (NUREG-0654) was made available on an unofficial basis. Although the NUREG document was available a few days before the team visit, of necessity the team review and verbal comments were based on prior criteria. Over the past several weeks we have discussed with our respective NRC Project Managers the uncertainties and the several options that NSP has in the objective to further upgrade our emergency plans to meet the current criteria which was formalized by the NRC letter of March 10, 1980. Although receiving team comments based on the prior criteria might be somewhat beneficial, we have decided not to pursue this. Instead, NSP is proceeding to utilize the NUREG-0654 guidance in developing newly drafted emergency plans. Due to this reorientation of our efforts and as mentioned in our several discussions with Mr Tom Kevern, we believe that these upgraded plans can be submitted by about August 1, 1980.

It appears that the pending NRC rules on emergency plans will be finalized and published by the end of June. Depending on the content of these new rules it may be necessary for us to extend the time for our submission. Other regulatory conditions might arise that would demand similar action. However, we are proceeding with plan revisions on a schedule targeted to meet the date indicated above.

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