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SUBJECT: Notifies that implementation of hydrogen monitoring sys to satisfy NUREG-0737, Item II, F.1 will be delayed due to inavailability of equipment & new design requirements. Sys will be operational by 810601.

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Delay In Implementation of NUREG-0737,
Item II.F.1.6 Containment Hydrogen Monitors

In our letter dated December 30, 1980, we committed to provide control room indication of containment hydrogen concentration by January 1, 1982 to satisfy NUREG-0737, Item II.F.1.6. We have determined that, due to equipment unavailability and new design requirements, we will not be able to meet this schedule.

The hydrogen monitoring system that we have selected requires that the sample lines be heated to preclude condensation; however, the required heat tracing control system cannot be shipped until January 15, 1982. Furthermore, the sample piping must be completely installed prior to design of the pipe heating elements. Installation of portions of the sample piping will be delayed until approximately March 1, 1982 due to the difficulty of designing to accommodate Mark I containment loads. Following installation of the piping, approximately 8 weeks will be required to design, manufacture and install the heating elements and test and startup the system.

Although we will make every effort to complete the installation as rapidly as possible, we do not believe that the system will be fully operational until June 1, 1982.

Please contact us if you have any questions related to this revised schedule for complying with a post TMI NRC requirement.

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