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Dear Mr Keppler:

MONTICELLO NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT  
Docket No. 50-263 License No. DPR-22

In response to your letter of April 20, 1982, which transmitted Inspection Report No. 50-263/81-26 (DPRP), the following information is provided.

Violation

Technical Specification 3.13.B.1 requires the three fire pumps (i.e., diesel-driven pump, motor-driven pump, and screen wash pump) to be operable at all times; however, Technical Specification 3.13.B.2 allows one of the pumps to be inoperable for a period of time if the surveillance required by Technical Specification 4.13.B.2 is performed. Technical Specification 4.13.B.2 requires the two operable pumps to be run daily.

Contrary to the above, the diesel and motor-driven pumps were not run on December 11, 12, and 13 when the screen wash pump was inoperable.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement I).

Response

1. Corrective Action Taken and the Results Achieved

The above-identified violation was discussed at the monthly Shift Supervisors meeting held April 4, 1982. The work request authorization (81-4535) was closed out with all follow-up requirements complete on December 14, 1982, four days after the pump was made inoperable. At that time, the surveillance tests on the diesel and electric fire pump were performed satisfactorily. The screen wash pump was also demonstrated to operate satisfactorily and thus the surveillance requirements specified in Technical Specifications Section 4.13.B.2 were no longer required.

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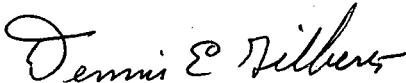
2. Corrective Action to be taken to avoid Further Non-Compliance

An assessment of the adequacy of Monticello's work request authorization system was conducted, and it was determined to be adequate if properly implemented. Personnel involved in the review and approval process of the work request authorization system will receive specific training on Technical Specification considerations to assure proper implementation of the system. Training to be completed by August 1, 1982.

3. Date when Full Compliance will be Achieved

Full Compliance was achieved by the Corrective Action.

Yours truly,



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