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PG&E Letter No. DCL-89-321



U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
ATTN: Document Control Desk  
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Re: Docket No. 50-275, OL-DPR-80  
Docket No. 50-323, OL-DPR-82  
Diablo Canyon Units 1 and 2  
Licensee Event Report 1-89-014-00  
Potential Degradation of the Containment Recirculation Sump  
Due to Inadequate Procedures

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.73(a)(2)(ii)(A), PG&E is submitting the enclosed Licensee Event Report (LER) regarding the potential degradation of the Units 1 and 2 containment recirculation sumps due to the presence of debris. Inadequate inspection guidance was provided in the inspection procedure to ensure the cleanliness of the sump. This event has in no way affected the public health and safety.

Subsequent investigations have identified other problems with the containment recirculation sump including design control, deficiencies in the Unit 1 sump as-built configuration, and inadequate review prior to opening the sump access hatch. These other problems have in no way affected the public health and safety.

The containment recirculation sump issues documented in an NRC Inspection Report dated December 14, 1989 (EA 89-241) were discussed in detail with NRC management in a meeting on December 19, 1989, at NRC Region V headquarters. The PG&E presentation included information on the sump configuration, a chronology of the sump events and drawing/as-built differences, evolution of design criteria, additional information/investigations, debris evaluations, operability considerations, safety evaluations, and corrective actions. PG&E's investigative results and conclusions were presented at the meeting and a summary was provided to the NRC. At the meeting, PG&E committed to report a detailed discussion of the analysis and evaluation of this event and the actions being taken to

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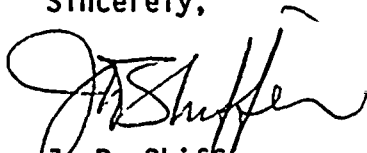
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prevent recurrence. This report will be submitted in a supplement to this LER by January 19, 1990.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this material on the enclosed copy of this letter and return it in the enclosed addressed envelope.

Sincerely,



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