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SUBJECT: Submits plans to comply w/App H to 10CFR50 re reactor vessel matl. sample capsule, per 840418 safety evaluation. Standby capsule will be reinstalled during 1986 refueling & maint outage.

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Attention: Mr. Domenic B. Vassallo, Chief  
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Division of Licensing  
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20555

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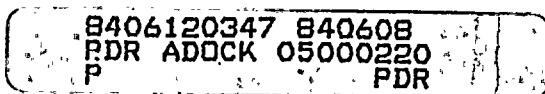
Dear Mr. Vassallo:

Our letter of March 23, 1983 indicated that a reactor vessel material sample capsule removed during the 1979 refueling and maintenance outage was apparently lost during cleanup of the spent fuel pool. Subsequent to this, on May 2, 1983, a technical specification change was requested to conduct the reactor vessel surveillance program without a standby capsule. Your safety evaluation dated April 18, 1984 indicated that this was not acceptable and that we should provide plans to comply with Appendix H to 10CFR50.

During the installation of the high density fuel racks, the material sample capsule removed during the 1979 outage was located in the spent fuel pool. Our current plans call for either reinstalling this capsule or a reconstitution of the sample that was withdrawn in conjunction with replacement of the reactor recirculation nozzle safe ends as the standby capsule. The reinstallation effort will require new installation equipment and the procurment of new sample holders. The standby capsule will be reinstalled during the 1986 refueling and maintenance outage.

Sincerely,

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