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SUBJECT: Discusses exception to Amend 22 to FSAR Subsection NE-4452 of Section III of ASME Code re liquid penetrant exam of surface defects removed by grinding. Exception is one-time departure & will be deleted from amend.

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March 24, 1986 (NMP2L 0666)

Ms. Elinor G. Adensam, Director BWR Project Directorate No. 3 U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission 7920 Norfolk Avenue Washington, DC 20555

Dear Ms. Adensam:

Re: Nine Mile Point Unit 2 Docket No. 50-410

Amendment 22 to the Final Safety Analysis Report included the insertion on page 3.8-25.b of an exception to Subsection NE-4452 of Section III of ASME code. The exception was stated as follows:

A liquid penetrant examination of surface defects removed by grinding is required by this section. The shelf-to-downcomer embedment plate weld at azimuth 74°10' was repaired by grinding. In lieu of liquid penetration examination, visual examination can be utilized.

This exception to NE-4452 applied only to a 1-inch portion of a 10-inch long 1/2" x 3/4" fillet weld on one shelf-to-downcomer embedment plate located at elevation 196'-0", azimuth 74°10' (see attached drawing segments). This weld segment should have been liquid penetrant-tested in accordance with the ASME Code, Section III, Subsection NE, 1974 edition through winter 1976 addenda, following the removal of an arc strike by grinding. Instead, the weld was visually reinspected by ITT Grinnell in accordance with their field quality control procedure for visual examination. This examination provided adequate assurance that the arc strike was removed, and the remaining weld metal was sound and free of defects. Liquid penetrant reexamination is not now feasible as draining of the suppression pool would be required to gain access to the weld.

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The subject embedment plate was originally intended to be used for bracing the downcomers. However, the plate has been modified and is now used for lateral bracing of a safety relief valve T-quencher. Calculations have shown that the plate is lightly loaded, with a factor of safety greater than ten. Thus, even if the suspect l-inch of visually examined weld were to be neglected for strength considerations, it would still be concluded that the embedment plate is structurally adequate.

The above-described situation involves a one-time departure from NE-4452 and not a programmatic exception. Consequently, the exception will be deleted from the Final Safety Analysis Report by Amendment 25.

Very truly yours,

C. V. Mangan Senior Vice President

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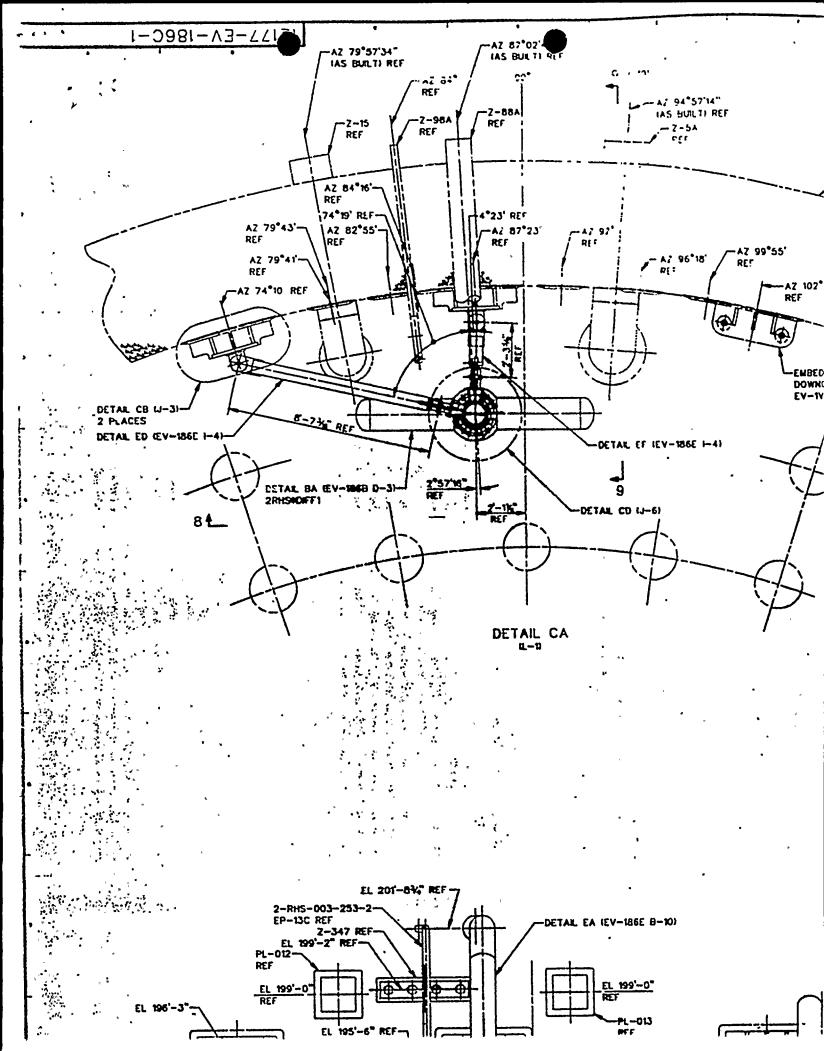
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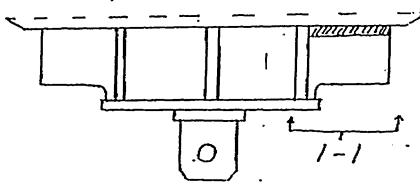
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