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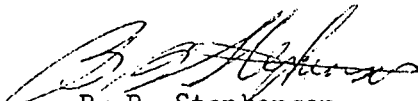
Dear Mr. Keppler:

This evaluation of the Dresden U-3 Inservice Inspection Program (ISI) is submitted as required by Table 6.6.1 of the Technical Specifications.

At the time the ISI Program was written for Unit 3 there were no code standards for developing an inservice inspection program. The requirement for evaluating the Station's ISI Program was devised, therefore, to compare it with technology and philosophy that would be present after five years of operation. It was a method of making the Station's ISI Program concur with existing technology.

In the interim the ASME committee has added section XI, which outlines a program to be used for ISI, to the Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code. The Station has adopted the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code 1971 edition Summer Addenda as a guide. Also according to a revision to 10CFR50.55a, the ISI Program has to be updated every 40 months to conform with the edition and addenda of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code which is in effect no more than 6 months prior to the start of each 40 month interval. As a result the Station's ISI Program will always be in compliance with the existing code and technology.

Sincerely,


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