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SUBJECT: Documents discussion w/NRC re 870316 ltr which transmitted approved Tech specs for fifth diesel generator. Agreed that installation of replacement indication would not be condition for declaring diesel generator E operable.

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SUSQUEHANNA STEAM ELECTRIC STATION
FIFTH DIESEL GENERATOR
PLA-2868 FILE S100, R41-2, A17-20E

Reference: NRC letter to PP&L dated March 16, 1987

Dear Dr. Butler:

The purpose of this letter is to document a recent discussion with your Staff regarding the subject letter which transmitted approved Technical Specifications for our fifth diesel generator.

The discussion centered around the safety evaluation accompanying the referenced letter, specifically the sentence on Page 2 which states: "A series of five indicating lights is provided to indicate the replacement status of the fifth diesel generator and whether or not it is aligned as replacement for the diesel generator A, B, C or D, respectively.".

The original diesel generator project scope did not include control room indication denoting replacement status. However, in one of our early meetings with your staff, and in a follow-up letter (PLA-2706), PP&L committed to install replacement indication. At the time it was expected that the necessary modifications would be installed in the 3rd quarter of 1987. It was also agreed that installation of this indication would not be a condition for declaring diesel generator E operable.

We have reevaluated the implementation schedule for the control room indication and will not meet our original expectation of the 3rd quarter of 1987. The necessary modification will be implemented by the last quarter of 1988.

We do not believe the absence of control room indication impacts the operability of diesel generator E or safe operation of Susquehanna Units 1 & 2. Two administrative controls are in place. First, until such time that the modification is installed the Equipment Status Control Log will document the status of each diesel generator. This log is reviewed at each shift turnover.

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Secondly, a magnetic plastic label "Diesel Generator E" will be used on panel 0C653 when the E diesel generator is aligned for standby automatic operation. This label will cover the permanently affixed label of the existing diesel generator A, [B], [C], [D] for which E diesel generator is substituted.

If you have any questions, please contact D. J. Walters at (215) 770-6536.

Very truly yours,

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