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SUBJECT: EXTENSION OF GENERIC LETTER (GL) 89-10, SUPPLEMENT 6, PROGRAM AT
SUSQUEHANNA STEAM ELECTRIC STATION (SSES), UNIT 1 AND 2 (TAC NOS.
M89590 AND M89591)

Dear Mr. Byram:

On January 19, 1995, you submitted a letter providing supplemental information related to the motor-operated valve (MOV) program developed for SSES, Unit 1 and Unit 2, in response to GL 89-10, Supplement 6, "Information on Schedule and Grouping and Staff Responses to Additional Public Questions." Specifically, you indicated that Pennsylvania Power & Light (PP&L) has identified that 8 MOVs have been deemed to be non-practical for dynamic testing because test results have shown that the ΔP that could be obtained across the valves in tests would not be high enough to draw meaningful conclusions. At this point, the staff has not identified any concerns relative to the justification for not testing these valves.

You also discussed in your letter that there was some delay to be realized in completing the testing of the reactor core isolation cooling (RCIC) pump minimum flow bypass valve but that the tests would be completed before the SSES MOV Program completion date of December 31, 1995. The delay is justified and is acceptable to the staff.

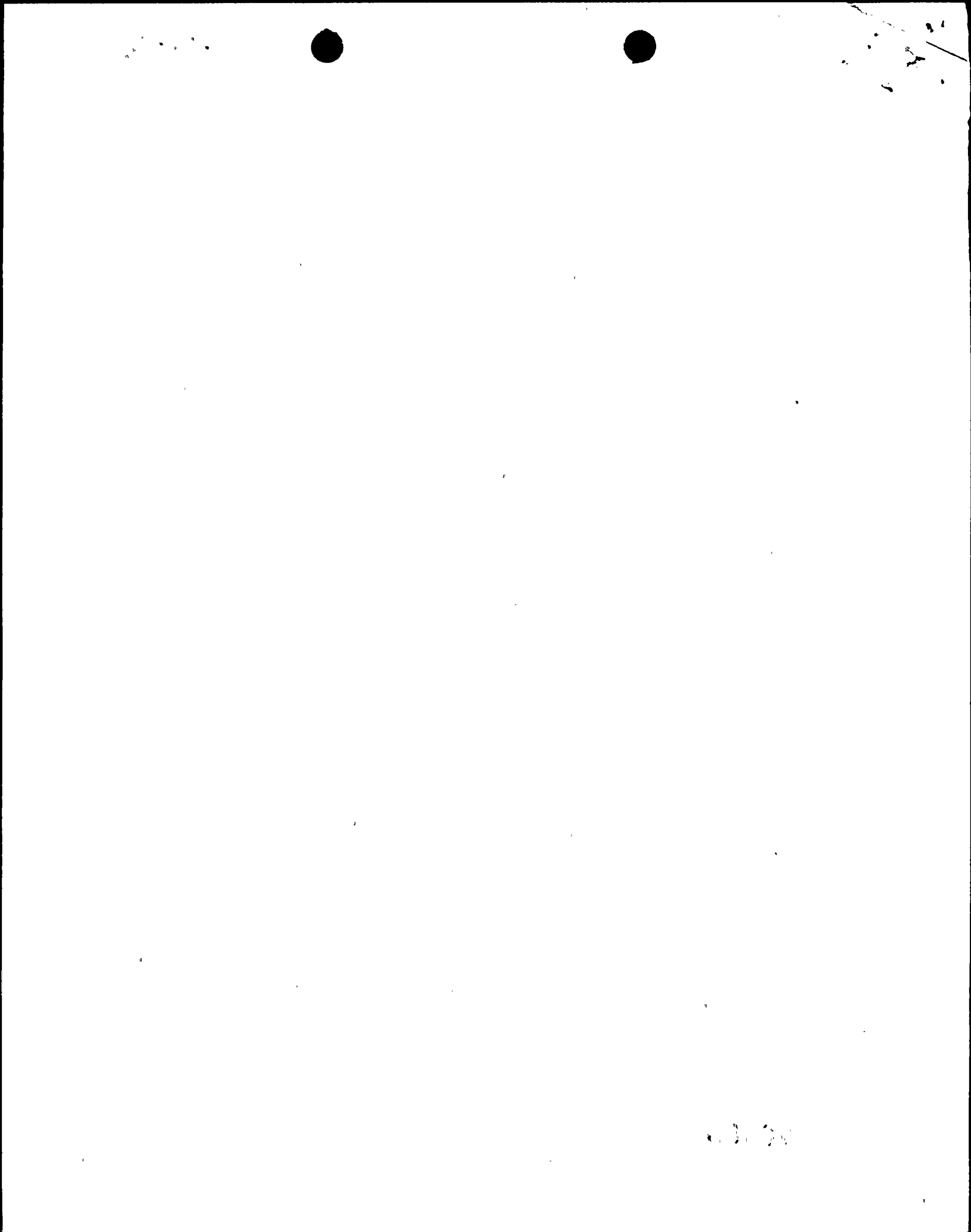
In a letter dated April 29, 1994, you notified the staff of a planned change to your scheduled commitments for the MOV program developed in response to GL 89-10. The staff subsequently accepted your justification for the schedule to complete the GL 89-10 program for both units by December 31, 1995. In your letter, you also discussed the plan to delete the safety-related MOVs in the MSIV leakage control system (MSIV-LCS) from the GL 89-10 program in anticipation of NRC staff approval of your request to remove the system from the plant.

In our letter on September 21, 1994, we stated our belief that the MSIV-LCS MOVs should be retained in the GL 89-10 program until (1) you no longer rely on the MSIV-LCS to perform a safety function, and (2) we have accepted this change in system availability.

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During an inspection in October 1994, Region I inspectors evaluated the capability of the MSIV-LCS MOVs. As stated in NRC Inspection Report 94-14/15, the inspectors found that you have reasonable justification for considering these valves currently capable. Therefore, the staff considers it reasonable to retain the MSIV-LCS MOVs in the GL 89-10 program with further testing deferred until the staff completes its review of your request to remove the MSIV-LCS from the plant. If the staff accepts your request to remove the MSIV-LCS, you may delete the MSIV-LCS MOVs from your GL 89-10 program. If the staff does not accept your request, you should confirm your decisions regarding MSIV-LCS MOV capability with additional testing as necessary.

Based on the above information, TAC Nos. M89590 and M89591 (GL 89-10, Supplement 6) are hereby closed. The staff will be conducting follow-up inspections in the future to verify the adequacy of each licensee's MOV Program and we will inform you when such a site visit is scheduled.

Sincerely,

/S/

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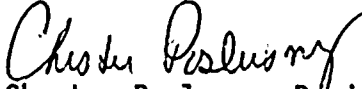
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