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Mr. James G. Keppler, Director
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Subject: Dresden Station Units 2 and 3
Quad-Cities Station Units 1 and 2
Completion Schedule for IE Bulletin
79-14, "Seismic Analyses for Safety
Related As-Built Piping Systems"
NRC Docket Nos. 50-237/249/254/265

- References (a): D. L. Peoples letters to J. G. Keppler
dated September 11, 1979
- (b): D. L. Peoples letter to J. G. Keppler
dated September 28, 1979
- (c): D. L. Peoples letter to J. G. Keppler
dated October 15, 1979
- (d): D. L. Peoples letter to J. G. Keppler
dated November 9, 1979

Dear Mr. Keppler:

References (a) through (d) provided status reports and completion schedules for the inspection of accessible and inaccessible safety-related piping systems at Dresden Station Units 2 and 3 and Quad-Cities Station Units 1 and 2 which were required by IE Bulletin 79-14. Due to a significant amount of rework required in the system walkdowns, package review taking longer than expected, and evaluation of more field deviations than expected, the accessible areas comparison and evaluation phase completion dates have not been met. All field inspections except inaccessible areas on Dresden 3 and Quad-Cities 2, have been completed and the data transmitted to our consultant for review.

Our current plan is to perform on an expedited basis the comparison of field data with original design data to identify any discrepancies as soon as possible. Significant discrepancies will be analyzed immediately to determine if system operability is affected. Priority is being given to the evaluation of data from Quad-Cities 1 and Dresden 2 since these units are operating at the highest power levels and are furthest from their next scheduled refueling outages. Although Dresden 2 and Quad-Cities 1 are being evaluated in parallel, Dresden 2 is expected to lag slightly behind due to the lack of design drawings for many of the supports.

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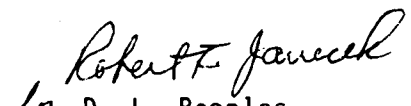
Our scheduled completion dates for the comparison phase for the four units is as follows: Quad-Cities Station Unit 1, December 8, 1979; Dresden Station Unit 2, December 24, 1979; Quad-Cities Station Unit 2, January 21, 1980; and Dresden Station Unit 3, January 31, 1980 for accessible areas and April 15, 1980 for inaccessible areas. The need for complete system reanalysis will be based on the results of the comparison phase. If reanalysis were to be required for all systems on all four units, the final completion date and report submittal is estimated to be July, 1981.

Based on the very favorable inspection results to date, there is no reason to suspect safety-system degradation due to improper installation. Although discrepancies were found during field inspections, only three (3) supports out of approximately 1,000 at Dresden 2 and 3 caused any system to be declared inoperable. Out of approximately 1,000 supports at Quad-Cities Station Units 1 and 2, no discrepancies were found to cause system inoperability. All inoperable supports have been corrected and the systems returned to an operable status. In addition, review of the data by our consultant to date has disclosed no discrepancies which would cause system inoperability out of 213 supports reviewed at Dresden Station Unit 2 and Quad-Cities Station Unit 1. Five (5) discrepancies have been detected which may require analysis to determine operability.

Based on the above, we believe that the program we have in progress will provide for the earliest detection and evaluation of significant discrepancies and the results to date provide assurance that the plants may continue to operate without hazard to the public health and safety while the evaluations are being performed.

Please address any questions you may have concerning this matter to this office.

Very truly yours,


for D. L. Peoples
Director of Nuclear Licensing

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