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James P. O'Reilly, Director Regulatory Operations, Region I U.S. Atomic Energy Commission 970 Broad Street Newark, New Jersey 07102

> Re: Indian Point Unit No. 2 AEC Docket No. 50-247 Facility Operating License DPR-26

Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

In accordance with the requirements of Technical Specification 6.6.1.B, we wish to inform you of an abnormal occurrence which was identified on May 11, 1973 at 2230 hours. During pressurization preparatory to starting reactor coolant pumps for the performance of a hydrostatic leak test of the Reactor Coolant System, prior to initial criticality, a leak was apparent in Valve Number 204B which is located in the charging line to Loop 21. Subsequent investigation indicated that the leakage was apparently due to a defect in the area of the stud holes permitting reactor coolant to seep into two of the stud holes and from there into containment atmosphere.

Since the leak was due to an apparent defect, the value is being replaced. The replacement value meets all of the requirements of codes and standards applicable to the design and procurement of equipment as outlined in the Indian Point Unit No. 2 FSAR. After replacement of the value, the required hydrostatic test of the reactor coolant system will be performed to insure its integrity.

The value that is being removed from the reactor coolant system boundary will be subjected to a metalurgical examination in order to determine the exact cause of the leakage and the need for any additional action.

In accordance with the requirements of Technical Specification 6.2., appropriate notification of the Station Manager, the Manager of the Nuclear Power Generation Department, and the Chairman of the Nuclear Facilities Safety Committee has taken place. Mr. A. Fasano of your office was also notified on May 12, 1973 of the occurrence. The safety implications of the occurrence were slight since, a) the leakage was minute and well within the makeup capability of the CVCS, b) the plant was in cold shutdown condition, and c) leakage was into the containment atmosphere and therefore if the leaking fluid had been radioactive, which it was not, it would have been detected and contained with no exposure to the health and safety of the public.

The required written report will be submitted within ten (10) days.

Very truly yours, John R. Consin. for War E. Coldwell

William M. Coldwell, dt. Vice President