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to discuss potential enforcement issues.

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Attention: Mr. D. W. Mazur

Managing Director

SUBJECT: ENFORCEMENT CONFERENCE/MANAGEMENT MEETING

Gentlemen:

This refers to the enforcement conference and management meeting held with Mr. A. L. Oxsen, Dr. G. D. Bouchey, Mr. J. P. Burn, and other members of the Supply System staff in the Region V office on June 28, 1989. The subjects discussed are summarized in the enclosed report.

The purpose of the conference was to discuss potential enforcement issues related to environmental qualification of electrical equipment and your commercial grade procurement and dedication process. After completion of the enforcement conference, we also discussed the high number of shutdown cooling isolations that occurred during the 1989 refueling outage, as well as other issues of current interest.

Enforcement action involving the environmental qualification issues discussed during the enforcement conference is being reviewed and will be addressed in separate correspondence.

With regard to the commercial grade procurement and dedication process, we require more information on the acceptability of the 10 items in question before we can conclude whether a hardware deficiency exists. During the conference we agreed with your plan to reevaluate the suitability of these items for safety related use, which was expected to take 30-45 days to complete. However, due to the potential safety significance of the five items already installed in the plant, reevaluation of these items was requested on an expedited basis. Your reevaluation of the installed items was provided to us in your letter dated July 10, 1989 which we reviewed and concluded that additional information was needed to complete our evaluation. Therefore, we requested in our letter dated July 14, 1989, that you resubmit your response to our original request with emphasis on identification and verification of the applicable critical characteristics. Based upon our discussions at the conclusion of the enforcement conference, we understand your reevaluation for the remaining items will be submitted in writing by August 15, 1989 along with any available followup information on the five installed items.

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As also discussed in the enclosed report, we are concerned about the number of shutdown cooling isolations experienced at the WNP-2 facility during the 1989 refueling outage. While we recognize that these individual events were of minimal safety significance, they clearly indicate a need for improved control of plant activities and/or improved reliability of safety features actuation systems. We encourage you to give careful management attention to these events and their underlying root causes.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790(a), a copy of this letter and the enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

Your continued cooperation is appreciated. If you have any questions concerning this report, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely.

Deputy Regional Administrator

Enclosure:

NRC Meeting Report No. 50-397/89-22

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