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MEMORANDUM FOR: R. F. Warnick, Chief, Reactor Projects Section
No. 2, RONS, Region III

FROM: E. L. Jordan, Assistant Director
for Technical Programs, IE

SUBJECT: CONTINENTAL EQUIPMENT - TYPE 9220 BUTTERFLY VALVES -
PALISADES (AITS F30398H2)

We have reviewed the extent of the usage of Continental Equipment Type 9220 Butterfly valves. Mr. Doug Boyd of Fisher Controls Company, Continental Division, informed us that they have records that only four sites have received these butterfly valves with inflatable seals. These are: Peach Bottom, Palisades, Duane Arnold, and Monticello. Region I has been informed that Peach Bottom Units 2 and 3 may have valves with inflatable seals.

The second item of your proposed circular calls for a review of the capability of air operated components to function during a Design Basis Event. The design of safety related air systems is reviewed by NRR as directed in Standard Review Plan Section 9.3.1, "Compressed Air Systems." This section is currently being revised and the proposed revision has been issued for comments. A copy of the proposed revision and the valve/impact statement are enclosed for your information.

The third item of the proposed circular addresses the need for surveillance testing. The question of surveillance testing of air system has been presented to NRR in the past. The most recent action by NRR is summarized in a May 15, 1978 memorandum from V. Stello to Roger J. Mattson and the June 30, 1978 response from Roger J. Mattson to V. Stello. Copies of these memoranda are enclosed.

In view of the limited use of the valves with inflatable seals and the action that has been taken by NRR, the issuance of a circular does not appear warranted. Action Item F30398H2 is closed.

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Enclosures: As stated

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