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THE REQUIREMENT FOR QUARTERLY VIBRATION AND ULTRASONIC TESTING OF THE
INSTALLED SHAFTS PER 09/08/77 COMMITMENT, APPLICANT HAS SCHEDULED SHAFT
REPLACEMENT FOR THE FORTHCOMING REF

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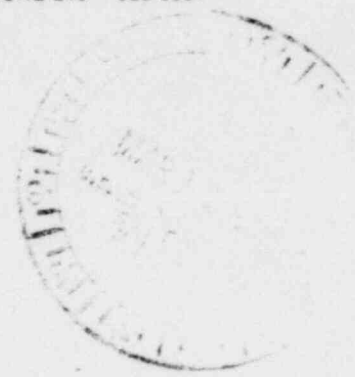
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Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
Attn: R. W. Reid, Chief
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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D. C. 20555



Dear Sir:

Three Mile Island Nuclear Station Unit 1 (TMI-1)
Operating License No. DPR-50
Docket No. 50-289
Decay Heat Pumps

Mr. G. B. Zwetzig of your office has indicated that the NRC requests Metropolitan Edison Company's position with respect to the TMI-1 Decay Heat Pumps. Met-Ed has, through extensive investigation and ongoing pump testing, verified the reliability of the TMI-1 installed shafts. However, in order to delete the requirement for quarterly vibration and ultrasonic testing of the installed shafts per our September 8, 1977 commitment, Met-Ed has scheduled shaft replacement for the forthcoming refueling outage. Should conditions evolve that make shaft replacement impracticable during the outage, Met-Ed will continue the quarterly vibration and ultrasonic testing until such time shaft replacement is practicable.

Sincerely,

J. G. Herbein
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Vice President-Generation

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