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METROPOLIIAN EDISON COMPANY (THREE MILE ISLAND 1 & 2) DOCKET NOS. 50-289 AND 50-320

The attached report of a visit to the subject facilities on March 30 and 31, 1970 is forwarded for information. No items of nonconformance and no safety items were identified.

Met-Ed submitted several samples of pipe supplied by Pipeco for independent physical analysis. This action was taken by Met-Ed when they learned from Fort Calhoun that test results were questionable. The results of the Met-Ed evaluation indicate that all samples met the ASTM specification, however, the Pipeco results for yield and elongation were consistently higher than other results. Met-Ed concludes that the pipe meets the code but, as extra assurance, they intend to make the field hydrostatic test sufficiently high to meet the ASTM fabricators hydrostatic test requirement.

Met-Ed is reopering an investigation of values fabricated by Alloyco. A total of three stainless steel values have been received at the site with cracks.

As requested by your memo dated February 4, 1970, the inspector reviewed the circumstances concerning the rejection of ASTM A-358 pipe fabricated by Allegheny-Ludlum for Grinnel. Met-Ed performs vendor inspections for Grinnal. During one of these inspections, they concluded that the valley in some A-358 pipe manufactured by Allegheny-Ludlum was not allowed by the ASTM. Therefore, they advised Grinnel not to accept the pipe. In view of this questionable area, it is recommended that a vendor inspection be scheduled for Allegheny-Ludlum.

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Enclosure: CO Report Nos. 289/70-2 and 320/70-2 by Messrs. F. S. Cantrell, D. M. Hunnicutt & D. E. Whitesell dated 4/21/70

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