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Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
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Attn: A. Schwencer, Chief
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Division of Operating Reactors
Washington, DC 20555

Reference: Beaver Valley Power Station, Unit No. 1
Docket No. 50-334
License No. DPR-66
Dropped Rod Event Questions

Gentlemen:

This letter documents a verbal report to Mr. D. L. Wigginton (NRC) by H. P. Williams (Duquesne Light Company) of the completed actions at the Beaver Valley Power Station, Unit 1 in response to the Rod Drop Analysis problems reported by Westinghouse and discussed at a joint meeting on November 19, 1979. The following interim restrictions have been included in procedure revisions and have been reviewed by the operators.

1. With Rod Control in Manual mode - no change.
2. With Rod Control in Automatic and reactor power < 90% - no change.
3. With Rod Control in Automatic and reactor power \geq 90% - the "D" bank control rods must be greater than 215 steps withdrawn and all other rods fully withdrawn.

These actions were completed by 2400 hours on November 22, 1979, and the restrictions will remain in effect until the problem has been resolved by additional analyses and/or plant modifications.

If you have any questions regarding our intended actions, please contact my office.

Very truly yours,

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