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Mr. Boyce H. Grier, Director
Office of Inspection & Enforcement
Region 1
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
631 Park Avenue
King of Prussia, Pennsylvania 19406

Dear Sir:

Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit 1
Operating License No. DPR-50
Docket No. 50-289
Response to IE Bulletin 79-24

Enclosed is our response to the subject Bulletin. As discussed with Mr. D. G. Mitchell, of my staff and D. Haverkamp, of the NRC Region 1, on November 1, 1979, this response is being submitted late.

Sincerely,

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Vice President-Nuclear Operations

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Enclosure

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RESPONSE TO I & E BULLETIN 79-24

Met-Ed has reviewed and identified safety related lines which are subjected to freezing temperatures. A procedure has been developed to inspect these lines to assure they are adequately protected during extremely cold weather. The inspection will determine:

- a. Operability of the heat tracing and whether the temperature control point is properly set,
- b. Whether the temperature sensor is located on the coldest portion of the line,
- c. Any heat trace damage (such as by leaking chemicals), and
- d. Missing or damaged insulation.

Discrepancies discovered during this inspection will be corrected, and NRC will be informed of any major deficiencies found.

It is anticipated that this inspection will be completed by November 30, 1979.

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