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Dear Vince:

This is in response to your letter dated 5/21/79. We are not deviating from or have we changed our philosophy toward inservice testing (IST) reviews. We have never stated that non-safety related valves should not be in the program. What we have stated is that we do not want to review a relief request for a non-safety related valve.

Vic Nerses and George Johnson have concurred that the contact report written by M. Partridge is correct. Vic has agreed that the RCIC system is non-safety related, (as we have been defining safety related) and need not meet the requirements of Section XI. Vic has also agreed with Mr. Partridge that the inclusion of the RCIC system in the IST program is acceptable as long as Fitzpatrick does not request any reliefs for non-safety related valves in that system. The only safety related valves in the RCIC system, which must meet the requirements of Section XI, are the containment isolation valves.

We have also informed M. Partridge that the frequency for the SLC pumps should read "but no more frequently than once every month" rather than "once every three months." If you have any additional questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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