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MEMORANDUM FOR: Those on Attached List

FROM:

Helen Pappas, Chief, Administrative Branch

SUBJECT:

IE INFORMATION NOTICE NO. 79-22

The attached IE Information Notice Nc. 79-22, titled, "Qualification of Control Systems" was sent to the following licensees on September 14, 1979, for information:

> American Electric Power Service Corporation Indiana and Michigan Power Company D. C. Cook 1, 2 (50-315, 50-316)

Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company Zimmer (50-358)

Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company Perry 1, 2 (50-440, 50-441)

Commonwealth Edison Company Braidwood 1, 2 (50-456, 50-457) Byron 1, 2 (50-454, 50-455) Dresden 1, 2 (50-10, 50-237, 50-249) La Salle 1, 2 (50-373, 50-374) Quad-Cities 1, 2 (50-254, 50-265) Zion 1, 2 (50-295, 50-304)

Consumers Power Company Big Rock Point (50-15) Midland 1, 2 (50-329, 50-330) Palisades (50-255)

Dairyland Power Cooperative LACBWR (50-409)

Detroit Edison Company Fermi 2 (50-341)

Illinois Power Company Clinton 1, 2 (50-461, 50-462)

Iowa Electric Light & Power Company
Duane Arnold (50-331)

Northern Indiana Public Service Company Bailly (50-367)

Northern States Power Company Monticello (50-263) Prairie Island 1, 2 (50-282, 50-306)

Public Service of Indiana Marble Hill 1, 2 (50-546, 50-547)

Toledo Edison Company Davis Besse 1 (50-346)

Union Electric Company Callaway 1, 2 (50-483, 50-486)

Wisconsin Electric Power Company Point Beach 1, 2 (50-266, 50-301)

Wisconsin Public Service Corporation Kewaunee (50-305)

The Ohio Edison Company Erie 1, 2 (50-580, 50-581)

Sincerely,

Helen Pappas, Chief Administrative Branch

Enclosures:

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1. IE Information Notice No. 79-22

List of IE Information Notices Issued in Last

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QUALIFICATION OF CONTROL SYSTEMS

Public Service Electric and Gas Company notified the NRC of a potential unreviewed safety question at their Salem Unit 1 facility. This notification was based on a continuing review by Westinghouse of the environmental qualifications of equipment that they supply for nuclear steam supply systems. Based on the present status of this effort, Westinghouse has informed their customers that the performance of non-safety grade equipment subjected to an adverse environment could impact the protective functions performed by safety grade equipment. These non-safety grade systems include:

Steam generator power operated relief valve control system

Pressurizer power operated relief valve control system

Main feedwater control system

Automatic rod control system

These systems could potentially malfunction due to a high energy line break inside or outside of containment. NRC is also concerned that the adverse environment could also give erroneous information to the plant operators. Westinghouse states that the consequences of such an event could possibly be more limiting than results presented in Safety Analysis Reports, however, Westinghouse also states that the severity of the results can be limited by operator actions together with operating characterisitics of the safety systems. Further, Westinghouse has recommended to their customers that they review their systems to determine whether any unreviewed safety questions exist.

This Information Notice is provided as an early notification of a possibly significant matter. It is expected that recipients will review the information for possible applicability to their facilities. No specific action or response is requested at this time. If NRC evaluations so indicate, further licensee actions may be requested or required. If you have questions regarding this matter please contact the Director of the appropriate NRC Regional Office.

No written response to this Information Notice is required.

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LISTING OF IE INFORMATION NOTICES ISSUED IN LAST SIX MONTHS

Information Notice No.	Subject	Date Issued	Issued To
79-05	Use of Improper Materials in Safety-Releted Components	3/21/79	All power reactor facilities with an OL or CP
79-06	Stress Analysis of Safety-Related Piping	3/23/79	All Holders of Reactor OL or CP
79-07	Rupture of Radwaste Tanks	3/26/79	All power reactor facilities with an OL or CP
79-08	Interconnection of Contaminated Systems with Service Air Systems Used As the Source of Breathing Air	3/28/79	All power reactor facilities with an OL and Pu Processing fuel facilities
79-09	Spill of Radioactively Contaminated Resin	3/30/79	All power reactor facilities with an OL
79-10	Nonconforming Pipe Support Struts	4/16/79	All power reactor facilities with a CP
79-11	Lower Reactor Vessel Head Insulation Support Problem	5/7/79	All holders of Reactor OLs and CPs
79-12	Attempted Damage to New Fuel Assemblies	5/11/79	All Fuel Facilities Research Reactors, and Power Reactors with an OL or CP
79-13	Indication of Low Water Level in the Oyster Creek Reactor	5/29/79	All Holders of Reactor OLs and CPs
79-14	NRC Position of Electrical Cable Support Systems	6/11/79	All Power Reactor Facilitie with a CP
79-15	Deficient Procedures	6/7/79	All Holders of Reactor OLs and CPs

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Information Notice No.	Subject	Date Issued	Issued To
79-16	Nuclear Incident at Three Mile Island	6/22/79	All Research Reactors and Test Reactors with OLs
79-17	Source Holder Assembly Damage Damage From Misfit Between Assembly and Reactor Upper Grid Plate	6/20/79	All Holders of Reactor OLs and CPs
79-18	Skylab Reentry	7/5/79	All Holders of Reactor OLs
79-19	Pipe Cracks In Stagnant Borated Water Systems At PWR Plants	7/17/79	All Holders of Reactor OLs and CPs
79-20	NRC Enforcement Policy NRC Licensed Individuals	8/10/79	All Holders of Reactor OLs and CPs and Productic Licensees with Licensed Operators
79-21	Transportation and Commercial Burial of Radioactive Materia		All power and research reactors with OL's

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