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Mr. James P. O'Reilly Director of Inspection Enforcement Region II U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission 230 Peachtree Street Atlanta, GA 30303

Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

NUCLEAR REGU' ATORY COMMISSION INSPECTION REPORT #50-537/78-1

Reference:

Letter, RII: RWW, C. E. Murphy to CRBRP Project Office,

Same subject, dated December 18, 1978.

The CRBRP Project Office has reviewed the report of the December 1, 1978, NRC inspection of the CRBRP Project Office. The enclosure provides a response to the inspection report.

Sincerely,

cting Assistant Director for Public Safety

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Enclosure: As stated

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The CRBRP Project Office finds the subject report to be factually correct.

The CRBRP Project Office does not regard any statement in the subject NRC report as proprietary and makes no application for withholding any of the statements from the Public Document Room.

The following word corrections to Paragraph 4, Page I-2, are requested:

Substitute the word "decommissioned" for "abandoned" in the second sentence of Paragraph 4. "Abandoned" has the connotation that the facilities will not be used again and have been irresponsibly left in place. This is not the case; the CRBRP meteorological facilities will be removed shortly except for the permanent facilities which will resume operation at a future date.

Insert "test hole for a potential" before the words "on-site quarry" in the third sentence of Paragraph 4. The location is a test hole from which rock was excavated for use in an investigative program. The results of this program will be used to determine the suitability of the location for an on-site source of concrete aggregate. No development of an on-site quarry is being undertaken.