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Gentlemen: THREE MILE ISLAND UNIT 1

10 CFR Part 50, Appendix J, "Primary Reactor Containment Leakage Testing for Water-Cooled Power Reactors," was published February 14, 1973. Since many nuclear plants had either received an operating license or their containments had reached advanced stages of design or construction at that time, some plants may not now be in full compliance with the requirements of this regulation.

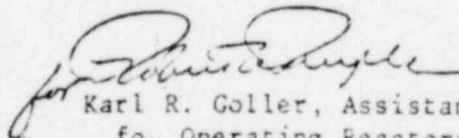
You are requested to determine if you are conducting containment leakage testing in full compliance with Appendix J. This determination should include the identification of any design features that do not permit conformance with its requirements or existing technical specification requirements which are in conflict with Appendix J, (i.e. less restrictive than). It should be understood that while a containment leakage testing program may be in compliance with the technical specifications for your facility, the program may not be in conformance with Appendix J.

If you are not in full compliance, you should identify your planned actions and schedule to attain conformance to the Regulation. Possible courses of action include design modifications, amendments to the technical specifications, and requests for exemption pursuant to 10 CFR Part 50, Section 50.12.

Please submit the results of your study to us as soon as possible but no later than 30 days from receipt of this letter.

This request for generic information was approved by GAO under a blanket clearance number B-180225 (R0072); this clearance expires July 31, 1977.

Sincerely,



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Appendix J

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