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James Coughlin Vice President Nuclear

Mr. Harold R. Denton, Director Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555 Docket Nos. STN 50-546 STN 50-547

Dear Mr. Denton:

In June of 1978 PSI transmitted to you additional information concerning our Ultimate Heat Sink Cooling Tower Design. On September 15, 1978, Mr. Jerry Wilson of the NRC requested the additional questions listed below be answered. Accordingly, we hereby submit our responses to the following NRC questions:

1. Request: What is the final useable volume of water in the basin?

Response: 14,380,000 gallons of useable water wi'l be stored in the ultimate heat sink basin.

2. Request: What is the drift loss associated with the 30 day accident sequence?

Response: A drift loss of 225,000 gallons would be associated with the tower operation over this 30 day period.

3. Request: Provide a sketch of the tower arrangement.

Response: Please find attached Drawing MS-129 Essential Cervice Water Cooling Tower General Arrangement.

4. Request: Please provide a sketch of the tower operation.

Response: The attached sketch "Sketch of Tower Operation Counterflow Induced Draft Cooling Tower" diagrammatically describes the operation of the Essential Service Water Cooling Tower.

5. Request: Provide the fan size of the tower and a range of air flows.

Response: Each cell of the cooling tower is equipped with a 26 foot dimenster, 8 bladed fan. The maximum width of each fan blade is 31 inches. The fans are designed to run at two speeds. At full speed, the fan will induce an air flow of 669,000 cfm. The associated air flow for the fan at half speed is 335,000 cfm.

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- Relate the information filed June 9 to the Marble Hill design; for 6. Request: example, a temperature response curve based on fan speed with an upper or lower bound or enveloping curves.
 - Please find attached copies of the performance curve included with Response: the Ceramic Cooling Tower Company design for the Marble Hill towers. These curves show the range vs. approach at the design conditions and wet bulb temperature vs. approach for various ranges with the fan at full and half speed.

If you have any questions from these responses or believe that further clarification is necessary, please contact me.

Sincerely yours, lough ames James Coughlin

Vice President-Nuclear

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State of Indiana) SS:

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Subscribed and sworn to me this 20 th day of October, 1978.

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