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June 14, 1982

The Honorable Nunzio Palladino
Chairman
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The Subcommittee's June 10 hearing, Quality Assurance at the Zimmer Nuclear Station, addressed the status of the Cincinnati Gas & Electric (CG&E) Quality Confirmation Program (QCP). NRC staff stated that as of May 1, 1982, the QCP was "55% complete with an anticipated completion [date] of December 31, 1982." NRC witnesses, however, did not present detailed information concerning the QCP findings to date. Accordingly, I would appreciate your directing the staff to provide the Subcommittee the following information.

The number of structural steel welds inspected to date, the number of structural steel welds known not to conform to the Commission's requirements, and the current estimate of the quantity and quality of work necessary to bring these welds into conformance with requirements.

A quantitative statement concerning findings regarding the traceability of piping and the implications of such findings.

The NRC staff assessment of the findings of the review of welder qualification records and the implications of such findings.

The NRC staff assessment as to the extent and significance of problems resulting from materials having been purchased from unqualified vendors.

The NRC staff assessment of the findings that have emerged from the review of Nonconformance Reports.

Thank you for your assistance.

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Sincerely,
M. K. Udall
MORRIS K. UDALL
Chairman

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UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

July 15, 1982

The Honorable Morris K. Udall
Chairman, Subcommittee on Energy
and the Environment
Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

As you requested in your June 14 and July 12, 1982 letters, the information relating to the Zimmer Quality Confirmation Program is enclosed. This information is current as of May 30, 1982.

I hope this information is responsive to your request. Additional details of the Quality Confirmation Program results are contained in the licensee's May 30, 1982 status report which we provided to Dr. Henry Myers of your staff on June 16, 1982. If you have further questions on this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Nunzio J. Palladino

Enclosure:
As Stated

cc: Rep. Manuel Lujan

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