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Docket No. 50-302  
License No. DPR-72  
Ref: RII: SCE  
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Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

We offer the following response to the apparent item of noncompliance noted in the referenced Inspection Report.

10 CFR 20.203(b) states that each radiation area shall be conspicuously posted with a radiation caution symbol and the words Caution-Radiation Area. 10 CFR 20.202(b)(2) defines a radiation area to be any area accessible to personnel in which there exists radiation at such levels that a major portion of the body could receive in any one hour a dose in excess of 5 millirem.

Contrary to the above, on January 4, 1978, a survey conducted by an NRC inspector and verified by a licensee representative, revealed radiation levels of 15 to 30 millirem per hour in the area of the concentrated waste and boric acid pumps. This area was not posted as a radiation area.

Immediate corrective steps were taken at the time of the observed infraction by properly posting the area in question in accordance with approved plant procedures and 10 CFR 20.203(b).

The corrective steps which have been taken to avoid further noncompliance include written instructions to the Operations personnel to conduct activities involving the transfer of radioactive waste or waste products as a coordinated effort with Chemistry & Radiation Protection personnel, so that all required monitoring and posting requirements are met. The Chemistry & Radiation Protection Engineer initiated a Follow-up Report, #78-34, instructing Chem/Rad personnel to pursue activities that may involve radiological condition change to assure proper posting.

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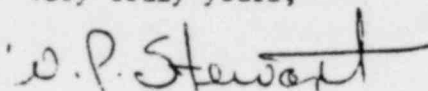
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In addition, this subject was discussed at the Plant Safety Committee Meeting on 31 January 1978.

Full compliance has been achieved as of this date.

We find no proprietary information in this Inspection Report.

Very truly yours,



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Director, Power Production

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for Nuclear Plant Manager