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Office of Inspection and Enforcement  
ATTN: Boyce H. Grter, Director  
Region I  
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
631 Park Avenue  
King of Prussia, Pennsylvania 19406

Dear Sir:

Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit II (TMI-2)  
Operating License No. DPR-73  
Docket No. 50-320  
Licensee Event Report No. 80-14/1P

This letter is to confirm the conversation between Mr. G. A. Kunder, Unit II Supervisor Technical Specification Compliance, and Mr. R. Conte, Region I, NRC at 1600 hours on April 23, 1980.

A condition considered reportable under Technical Specification 6.9.1.8.6 exists wherein both boron control systems were technically inoperable in violation of Technical Specification 3.1.1.1.

At 1100 hours, April 27, 1980, the Boric Acid Mix Tank (BAMT) liquid was found to contain a higher boron concentration (13,370 ppm boron) than permitted by Technical Specification 4.1.1.1.3 (13,175 ppm boron). At 1500 hours, April 23, 1980, and while the BAMT was still out of spec the Standby Pressure Control System sample analysis showed that the dissolved gas concentration 27 cc/kg of water exceeded the Technical Specification 4.1.1.1.2 value of 15 cc/kg of water.

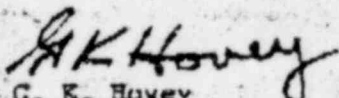
At 0635 hours, April 24, 1980, the BAMT was declared operable following demineralized water addition to bring the boron concentration down within spec. Efforts are in progress toward reducing the dissolved gas concentrations.

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Further details will be included in the follow-up report.

Sincerely,



G. K. Hovey  
Director, TMI-2

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