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OBJECTIVE:

To provide an independent evaluation of the results of nondestructive examination on components of operating nuclear power plants and of the state-of-the-art NDE techniques, and to provide recommendations for alternate and improved inspection techniques.

TECHNICAL HIGHLIGHTS:

During the past month, program personnel, at NRC request, made several visits to Bethesda or reactor sites to review examination procedures and data, and to observe performance of examinations. The following is a brief summary.

A visit was made to Bethesda, Maryland, to review ultrasonic inspection data for underclad cracking in the reactor vessel nozzles at Sequoyah, unit 1. The testing was conducted by Westinghouse. A memo was written to R. M. Gamble (NRC) providing an evaluation of the ultrasonic inspection procedure and the data obtained.

A trip was made to the Pilgrim reactor at Plymouth, Massachusetts, to observe the ultrasonic inspection of turbine wheels by General Electric personnel. A report summarizing the visit was written to V. Noonan. A meeting was attended at Bethesda at which representatives of General Electric Company described the results of ultrasonic inspections of turbines at the Dresden and Pilgrim reactor sites. A report summarizing this meeting, including an evaluation of the data presented, was written to V. Noonan.

A trip was made to the Point Beach reactor to observe and review eddy-current inspection of the steam generators by Westinghouse and Zetec personnel. A trip report was written to R. W. McClung summarizing the visit.

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FINANCIAL STATUS: (\$000)

Financial Plan FY 1980		78
Costs through February	19	
Costs in March	<u>12.2</u>	
Total	31.2	
Balance		46.8

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