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MEMORANDUM FOR: Those on Attached List

FROM: Helen Pappas, Chief, Administrative Branch

SUBJECT: IE CIRCULAR NO. 80-10

The attached IE Circular No. 80-10 titled "Failure to Maintain Environmental Qualification of Equipment" was sent to the following licensees on April 29, 1980 for information:

American Electric Power Service Corporation
Indiana and Michigan Power Company
D. C. Cook 1, 2 (50-315, 50-316)

Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company Zimmer (50-358)

Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company Perry 1, 2 (50-440, 50-441)

Commonwealth Edison Company Braidwood 1, 2 (50-456, 50-457) Byron 1, 2 (50-454, 50-455) Dresden 1, 2, 3 (50-10, 50-237, 50-249) La Salle 1, 2 (50-373, 50-374) Quad-Cities 1, 2 (50-254, 50-265) Zion 1, 2 (50-295, 50-304)

Consumers Power Company Big Rock Point (50-155) Midland 1, 2 (50-329, 50-330) Falisades (50-255)

Dairyland Power Cooperative LACBWR (50-409)

Detroit Edison Company Fermi 2 (50-341)

Illinois Power Company Clinton 1, 2 (50-461, 50-462) Those on Attached List

- Iowa Electric Light & Power Company Duane Arnold (50-331)
- Northern Indiana Public Service Company Bailly (50-367)
- Northern States Power Company Monticello (50-263) Prairie Island 1, 2 (50-282, 50-306)
- Public Service of Indiana Marble Hill 1, 2 (50-546, 50-547)
- Toledo Edison Company Davis-Besse 1 (50-346)
- Union Electric Company Callaway 1, 2 (50-483, 50-486)
- Wisconsin Electric Power Company Point Beach 1, 2 (50-266, 50-301)
- Wisconsin Public Service Corporation Kewaunee (50-305)

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Enclosure: IE Circular No. 80-10 Addressees - Memorandum dated April 29, 1980

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FAILURE TO MAINTAIN ENVIRONMENTAL QUALIFICATION OF EQUIPMENT

Description of C:rcumstances:

Carolina Power and Light recently reported that the wrong class of insulating material had been used at their H. B. Robinson Nuclear Plant when the motor leads of a containment fan cooler were reconnected. The motor leads had been disconnected during the refueling outage to supply power to welding equipment. When the motor leads were reconnected, the wrong class of insulating material degraded the environmental qualification of the containment fan cooler motor. A similar event, reported by Duquesne Light Company, occurred when a containment fan cooler motor was not installed with the proper cable insulation.

The NRC has previously issued IE Circular 78-08 and IE Bulletins 79-01 and 79-01B concerning environmental qualification of Class IE equipment. These Bulletins primarily address the environmental qualification of equipment as purchased and installed; however, the above events emphasize the importance of properly installing and maintaining environmentally qualified equipment.

Recommended Action for Licensee Consideration:

All holders of operating licenses or construction permits should recognize the potential for degradation of environmentally qualified equipment due to improper maintenance or improper use. It is recommended that licensees review current maintenance procedures and administrative policies to ensure the following:

- Adequate administrative controls exist to ensure that equipment which is environmentally qualified is identified prior to maintenance.
- Maintenance procedures provide necessary instructions and precautions to ensure that the environmental qualification of equipment is not degraded when maintenance is completed.
- Maintenance personnel are adequately trained on environmental qualification requirements and the potential for equipment degradation from improper maintenance.

No written response to this Circular is required. If you require additional information regarding this matter, contact the Director of the appropriate NRC Regional Office.

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Enclosure

RECENTLY ISSUED IE CIRCULARS

Circular No.	Subject	Date of Issue	issued to
80-09	Problems With Plant Internal Communications Systems	4/28/80	All holders of a power reactor OL or CP
80-08	BWR Technical Specification Inconsistency - RPS Response Time	4/18/80	All General Electric BWR's holding a power reactor OL
80-07	Problems with HPCI Turbine Oil System	4/3/80	All holders of a power reactor OL or CP
80 [.] 96	Control and Accountability Systems for Implant Therapy Sources	4/14/80	Medical licensees in Categories G and Gl
80-05	Emergency Diesel-Generator Lubricating Oil Addition and Onsite Supply	4/1/80	All holders of a power reactor OL or CP
80-04	Securing of Thread∘d Locking Devices on Safety-Related Equipment	3/14/80	All holders of a power reactor OL or CP
80-03	Protection from Toxic Gas Hazards	3/6/80	All holders of a power reactor OL
80-02	Nuclear Power Plant Staff Work Hours	2/1/80	All holders of Reactor OLs, including research and test reactors, and CPs
80-01	Service Advice for GE Induction Disc Relays	1/17/80	All licensees of nuclear power reactor operating facilities and holders of nuclear power reactor CPs
79-25	Shock Arrestor Strut Assembly Interference	12/20/79	All licensees and holders of power reactor CPs