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March 31, 1980

Mr. John Doherty
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Dear John:

This letter responds to your previous telephone call and subsequent letter requesting certain additions and clarifications to Applicant's responses to your thirteenth set of interrogatories. I will address the issues by the letter designations set out in your letter.

Item A

Enclosed are xerox copies of certain excerpts from the citations contained in Applicant's original answers. These excerpts are provided to you for your convenience only. As I previously indicated to you in our telephone conversation, Applicant does not believe that this excerpting process provides you in all cases with a complete and responsive answer. In all cases, we recommend that you reference the full citation and only the full citation should be construed as Applicant's formal response. In some cases, excerpting was not possible and we invite you to inspect the referenced documents at the EDC. This is the case with Interrogatories 13-14-06 and 13-T-04; we can advise, however, that a "yes" answer to all these interrogatories may be appropriate, but only a thorough study of the cited references should be relied upon.

Item J

Applicant's response, as original stated, is correct and requires no supplementation. Moreover, Applicant

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does not understand what "general data on this" you are requesting and knows of no NEDO which is directly relevant to the question asked.

Item L

The loadings you inquired about are contained in Appendix 3B of the GESSAR document. This Appendix is quite voluminous and the information you require is available only through an examination of the entire appendix. This will be made available to you at the EDC.

Item O

The transition from 7 x 7 to the 8 x 8 fuel assembly design resulted in a GEGAP calculated reduction in the best estimate fission gas release by a factor of approximately 25 for the maximum power/exposure fuel rod at approximately 44,000 MWd/Mt.

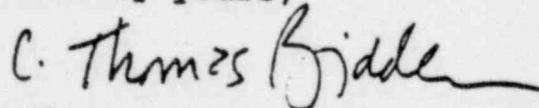
Item P

The vessel and the head are made of SA533 grade B. The studs and nuts are made of SA540 grade B23 or B24.

Item Q

Applicant believes the measurement you are seeking is approximately .063 inches. If you can be more definitive in the measurement you require, we will verify this answer.

Sincerely yours,



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