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1. Letter from Arkansas Power and Light Company, J. D. Phillips, dated December 27, 1972.
2. Letter from Arkansas Power and Light Company, J. D. Phillips, dated January 23, 1973.
3. Letter from Arkansas Power and Light Company, J. D. Phillips, dated March 14, 1973.

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December 27, 1972

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United States Atomic Energy Commission
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DRO Bulletin No. 72-3
Limitorque Valve Operator Failures

Dear Mr. Davis:

The following constitutes an interim report regarding DRO Bulletin No. 72-3, "Limitorque Valve Operator Failures", dated December 4, 1972. Within thirty days of this date we will submit an additional report providing complete details of our investigation now in progress.

Our investigation indicates that there are seventy-three (73) operators which may fall in this category. These operators are models SMB-00 or SMB-000 and may have been manufactured between 1969 and 1971.

A complete program of corrective action is not finalized at this time. The program definitely will include investigation of all model SMB-00 and SMB-000 Limitorque operators and replacement of defective torque switches. The schedule of this program will be set in a fashion that the investigation and replacement, if required, will be finalized before the conclusion of preoperational testing.

Very truly yours,

J. D. Phillips
Vice President and Chief Engineer

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