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Office of Inspection & Enforcement U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Region II 101 Marietta Street, N.W. Suite 3100 Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Attention: Mr. J. P. O'Reilly, Director

Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

SUBJECT: Grand Gulf Nuclear Station

Units 1 and 2

Docket Nos. 50-416/417 File 0260/15525/15526

PRD-80/14, Status Report #2, Reactor Pressure Vessel Feedwater Nozzle Deficiency

AECM-80/171

On April 7, 1980, Mississippi Power & Light Company notified Mr. F. Cantrell of your office of a Potentially Reportable Deficiency (PRD) at the Grand Gulf Nuclear Station construction site. The deficiency concerns certain indications revealed during a liquid penetrant examination of the inner bore region of the N4-A Feedwater Nozzle on the Unit 1 Reactor Pressure Vessel (RPV). This examination was performed as an augmented inservice inspection, pursuant to the requirements of NUREG-0312.

Two areas of indications have been identified. One area has been evaluated as acceptable per ASME Section III, NB-2546.3, 1974 Edition and applicable addenda. The second area, however, was evaluated as unacceptable per ASME Section III, NB-2546.3(b)(4), 1974 Edition and applicable addenda.

The NSSS supplier has issued Field Deviation Disposition Request (FDDR) JB1-216 to remove the indications by grinding. The corrective action has not been performed because personnel have not had access to the vessel. Repairs are scheduled to be completed by mid-September.

Our evaluation of the significance of the deficiency, had it remained uncorrected, is contingent on the extent of the indications which can only be determined after the corrective action is complete. Therefore, we cannot determine reportability at this time.

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We expect to determine reportability and submit a final report by November 12, 1980.

Yours truly,

for J. P. McGaughy, Jr.
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ATR:mt

cc: Mr. N. L. Stampley Mr. R. B. McGehee Mr. T. B. Conner

> Mr. Victor Stello, Director Division of Inspection & Enforcement U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555