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Director, Nuclear Reactor Regulation
Att. Mr. Dennis M. Crutchfield, Chief
Operating Reactors Branch No. 5
US Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

DOCKET 50-155 - LICENSE DPR-6 -
BIG ROCK POINT PLANT - TECHNICAL
SPECIFICATIONS CHANGE REQUEST - LOW REACTOR
WATER LEVEL TRIP SET POINT

Attached are three (3) original and thirty-seven (37) copies of a request to change the Big Rock Point Technical Specifications.

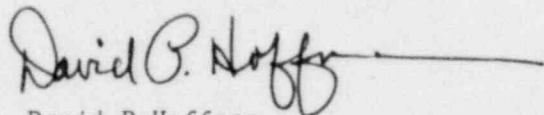
The enclosed Technical Specifications change is requested to reinstate the original Low Reactor-Water-Level (LRL) trip set point of 2'9" above top of active fuel. This LRL trip is required for safety systems' actuation (see attached change request discussion). The recent set point change approved in Technical Specifications Amendment No. 31 has resulted in numerous spurious alarms. To eliminate the frequency of these alarms, Consumers Power Company has limited power levels to less than that which the fuel limits allow. This results in derates of as much as 18 MWe or approximately 25% of rated power output. Consumers Power Company has reviewed applicable safety analyses and system operation and finds reinstatement of the original LRL trip set point acceptable.

Consumers Power Company requests prompt NRC action on this request so that additional monetary losses due to the current plant derate may be minimized for Consumers Power Company and its ratepayers.

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The proposed change has been determined to be a Class III change, pursuant to 10 CFR 170.22. A check in the amount of \$4,000 is attached.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David P. Hoffman". A horizontal line is drawn through the end of the signature.

David P Hoffman
Nuclear Licensing Administrator

CC Director, Region III, USNRC
NRC Resident Inspector - Big Rock Point