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Reference: (a) License No. DPR-36 (Docket No. 50-309)

Subject: Type A Integrated Containment Leakage Rate Test

Gentlemen:

Section 4.4.I.1 of the Technical Specifications to our operating license specifies that all Type A integrated containment leakage rate tests "will be performed in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 50.54 (o) and 10 CFR 50 Appendix J." Section III.D.1.(a) of 10 CFR Appendix J states, in part, that

"a set of three Type A tests shall be performed, at approximately equal intervals during each 10-year service period. The third test of each set shall be conducted when the plant is shutdown for the 10-year plant inservice inspections."

Our third Type A test for the current 10-year service period has been scheduled to be performed during the 1991 refueling shutdown (about December of 1991); the previous two tests were performed in August of 1985 and October of 1988. The 1991 refueling shutdown was also to have been the shutdown for the 10-year plant inservice inspections. However, because of a commitment to inspect our reactor vessel thermal shield in 1990, we now plan to perform the required 10-year inservice inspection activities during the 1990 refueling shutdown. We feel it appropriate to maintain the sequencing of Type A integrated containment leakage rate tests at every second refueling shutdown, which results in three at approximately equal intervals during each 10-year service period. Therefore our plans for conducting the third Type A integrated containment leakage rate test during the 1991 refueling shutdown remain unchanged.

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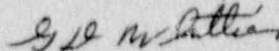
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Please contact us should you have any questions in this matter.

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